



NATIONAL ASSOCIATION *of* WOMEN JUDGES  
36<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CONFERENCE

# Protecting and Advancing Meaningful Access to Justice

## CONFERENCE PROGRAM GUIDE

OCTOBER 15-19, 2014 | SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA  
THE WESTIN GASLAMP QUARTER HOTEL





## NAWJ MISSION

*The National Association of Women Judges' mission is to: promote the judicial role of protecting the rights of individuals under the rule of law through strong, committed, diverse judicial leadership, fairness and equality in the courts, and equal access to justice.*

## WELCOME FROM NAWJ EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR MARIE KOMISAR

As Executive Director of the National Association of Women Judges, it gives me great pleasure to welcome you to the NAWJ's 36th Annual Conference. When we first began the conference planning process over two years ago I could tell even then how amazing and substantial the program would ultimately grow to be; and it has exceeded all of our expectations. I wish to thank our amazing Co-Chairs Judge Margie G. Woods and Judge Tamila E. Ipema, all of the committee chairs and the NAWJ staff, all of whom have worked untiringly to ensure its success. For me, it has been a great journey and I am so grateful to have been part of this huge success story. I hope to say hello to each and every one in attendance, and I hope that you have an exceptional time. Enjoy!



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# WELCOME MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

As President of the National Association of Women's Judges ("NAWJ"), it is my pleasure to welcome you to the 36th Annual Conference in beautiful San Diego, California. The conference's theme, "Protecting and Advancing Meaningful Access to Justice," draws on the theme I adopted during my tenure as NAWJ President: "Ensuring Access to Justice for All." I adopted this theme because I recognize that the extent to which all members of society are able to meaningfully access justice affects our ability as a nation to realize the true promise of justice afforded by our democracy. This year's conference will explore the manner in which NAWJ can continue its important mission and programs to promote access to justice.



The conference begins by taking an historic look at the Violence Against Women Act and NAWJ's role in supporting the legislation and NAWJ's continuing work in this important area. The conference's concurrent panels and plenary discussions on cutting-edge legal issues will allow attendees to engage in conversations regarding a number of issues affecting access to justice, including how different communities are impacted by the legal system, issues affecting women and children in the legal system, the effects of implicit bias in the administration of justice, and the importance of ensuring judicial independence. The conference will also highlight a number of prominent keynote speakers, featuring United States Supreme Court Associate Justice Sonia Sotomayor as the keynote speaker at the gala banquet. We are also honored to have Professor Anita F. Hill, Professor Charles J. Ogletree, Jr., and University of California President Janet Napolitano as speakers at the conference. We are excited that conference participants will have the opportunity to travel on excursions to a women's detention reentry facility, an unaccompanied immigrant minor children's camp, the San Diego International Border, and the San Diego Family Justice Center.

I wish to thank our conference Co-Chairs, Judge Tamila E. Ipema and Judge Margie G. Woods, and all of the members of the Conference Planning Committee for their outstanding efforts in planning this dynamic conference. I also wish to thank the Co-Chairs of the Friends Committee, Ms. Jerrilyn Malana, Esq. and Ms. India Jewell, Esq., for their hard work and dedication. Finally, I express my gratitude to NAWJ's Executive Director Marie Komisar, and the rest of the staff, Craig Evans, Lavinia Cousin and Mary-Kathleen Todd, for their dedicated tireless efforts in making this conference and all of NAWJ's work successful. I sincerely hope you enjoy this year's exciting conference. Again, welcome and enjoy!

Warmly,  
**Judge Anna Blackburne-Rigsby**  
District of Columbia Court of Appeals  
President, NAWJ

# WELCOME FROM CONFERENCE CO-CHAIR, HON. TAMILA EBRAHIMI IPEMA



Dear Members and Friends of NAWJ,

*Bienvenidos* and welcome to San Diego, one of the fastest growing cities in the nation and the site of our 36th Annual Conference of the National Association of Women Judges. Sunny San Diego is known for its mild climate, rich cultural diversity, and a variety of dynamic tourist attractions, including Balboa Park and the world-famous San Diego Zoo. The city's Mexican and Spanish heritage is also reflected in many historic sites across San Diego, such as Old Town Park. We are thrilled to host this year's conference in this lovely city!

The theme of this year's conference is "Protecting and Advancing Meaningful Access to Justice." This theme is especially significant to me because of my family's personal history and our suffering due to lack of access to justice at the hands of a regime that did not respect human rights. I promised myself early on that I would have the courage to stand up for justice, and I am privileged to be part of an advanced democracy, where we have the opportunity to stand up for our beliefs and do what is right, just, and fair. I am particularly thrilled that our NAWJ President's theme for her presidency is "Ensuring Access to Justice for All," further echoing the importance of meaningful access, without which justice cannot exist.

Our conference features a diverse, stimulating, and instructive program of events, which will further NAWJ's continued mission to promote equal access to justice for all. Conference participants will have the unique opportunity to learn about the immigrant minor children's plight and visit their camp. Participants will also explore the challenge of justice by viewing the Emmy award-winning film, "Presumed Guilty." The conference will feature a delegation of international judges spanning thirty countries from across the globe, allowing us to discuss international ethics at our international tea round table. We will feature a host of incredible keynote speakers on a variety of pressing topics. We are privileged to be able to feature Supreme Court Justice Sonia Sotomayor as the keynote speaker at our gala banquet.

This conference is the result of three years of hard work, and the tireless research and preparation of all of the members of the 60-member Conference Planning Committee-- thank you all! I am honored to have worked with such a group of powerhouses: From the brilliant judges and attorneys, to the knowledgeable NAWJ leaders and staff, to our diligent volunteers, this conference was a true labor of love. I thank my Co-Chair, Hon. Margie G. Woods; NAWJ President, Judge Anna Blackburne-Rigsby, Marie Komisar, and all the NAWJ staff; our incredible Friends' Committee Co-Chairs, Jerrilyn Malana and India Jewell; and all individuals and organizations involved! On behalf of the Conference Planning Committee, we hope that you enjoy your stay in beautiful San Diego, affectionately known as "America's Finest City."

With Warm Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tamila E. Ipema". The signature is fluid and cursive.

**Judge Tamila E. Ipema**  
Superior Court of California, San Diego County  
NAWJ 36th Annual Conference Co-Chair  
NAWJ District 14 Director

# WELCOME FROM CONFERENCE CO-CHAIR, HON. MARGIE GUNTARDT WOODS



Greetings! Welcome to my home town San Diego, California and the 36th NAWJ Annual Conference! ¡Bienvenidos!

On behalf of all members of the 36th NAWJ Annual Conference Committee we are thrilled to have each of you join us in Southern California to take part in what will be an outstanding experience and unforgettable conference.

As this Annual Conference gets underway, I am most grateful to the NAWJ Board of Directors and Officers of the last three years for their faith and support given to me and conference Co-Chair Judge Tamila E. Ipema. It was fall of 2011 when the Board approved San Diego as the host city for its 36th Annual Conference and supported our leadership as conference co-chairs. I also extend a heartfelt thank you to the consistently upbeat and ever-ready NAWJ Washington D.C. team: Executive Director Marie Komisar; Director of Finance and Administration Craig Evans; Programs and Publications Manager Lavinia Cousin; and Conference Manager Mary-Kathleen Todd. These events would not succeed without your professional guidance and support.

The conference offers a myriad of events and activities including our evening receptions and the varied educational tours. The education programs are many to choose from, and as diverse as addressing issues of the judge in her role as fact finder assessing credibility, recognizing unconscious bias, to “the changing family” and developing family law issues. The documentary films will evoke our concepts of history, fairness and change. We have keynote speakers, education program moderators and panelists of the highest caliber. And there is more.

With this ‘food for thought’ you will also receive delicious food for nourishment from cuisines from south of the border and the Pacific Rim, and food for the soul with music and dance as well as opportunity for you to move to your individual life rhythms with morning walks and yoga.

This 36th Annual Conference is a labor of love by the tireless and capable San Diego Annual Conference Committee members. Many thanks to my wonderful colleagues who have remained committed to making this conference exceptional. The end result of our collaboration and efforts I believe will be phenomenal.

It is wonderful that you are here and cheers to a fabulous stay in San Diego!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Margie G. Woods". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

**Judge Margie Gunthardt Woods**  
Superior Court of California, San Diego County  
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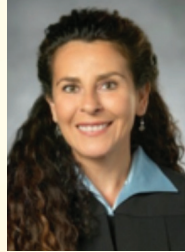
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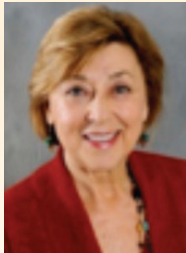
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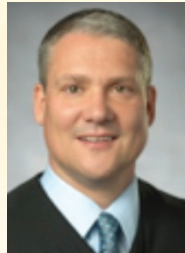
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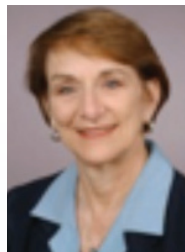
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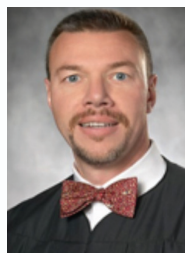
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# CONFERENCE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

## *Protecting and Advancing Meaningful Access to Justice*

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*Education sessions have been approved by The State Bar of California for 16.00 total credit hours, including subfield credits of 1.25 Ethics hours and 7.50 Eliminations of Bias hours. Judges of California Courts may submit sessions to the Center for Judiciary Education and Research of the Judicial Council of California. For each session, be sure to sign attendance sheets made available at room location. Post conference, all attorneys and judges may request a Certificate of Attendance from NAWJ at [lcousin@nawj.org](mailto:lcousin@nawj.org).*

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## WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2014

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9:00 am to 5:30 pm

Registration Information Desk

California Foyer,  
Westin Gaslamp Quarter Hotel

9:30 am to 11:30 am

Optional Tour of Las Colinas Detention Center for Women

Santee, California

Coordinators: **Commissioner Pennie K. McLaughlin** and **Judge Margie G. Woods** both with the Superior Court of California, County of San Diego

*We will travel to and from the facility in one of the Sheriff's detention buses. Exit the main doors and turn left towards First Avenue to meet the buses at 9:15 a.m. for a 9:30 a.m. sharp departure. Comfortable shoes are recommended. Pre-registration for this event is required. Volunteers will greet you at the hotel entrance and guide you toward buses.*

The Las Colinas Detention and Reentry Facility serves as the primary point of intake for women prisoners in San Diego County. The facility opened in August 2014, replacing the old facility. The new facility is staffed by approximately 278 sworn employees and 143 professional staff members. With the new facility comes the implementation of new operational philosophies. Los Colinas is situated on a campus-like setting supporting direct supervision and a "normative environment." Attendees will experience an intimate tour of San Diego County's largest female detention center, learning how San Diego County addresses high recidivism by offering women training and job skills that enable them to secure employment upon their release. Programs offered to the inmates include certifications in food handling, laundry work, culinary baking, sewing and landscaping. Guided tours will take place in small groups throughout the grounds and include time for questions and answers.

10:30 am to 1:30 pm

Optional Tour of the International Border

San Diego

Coordinators: **Magistrate Judge Jill Burkhardt**, U.S. District Court for the Southern District of California  
**Judge Tamila E. Ipema**, Superior Court of California, County of San Diego

*Pre-registration and security screening was required. Unfortunately, no on-site signups are possible. Exit the main doors and turn left towards First Avenue to meet Federal Government shuttle buses at 10:15 a.m. for a 10:30 a.m. sharp departure. Comfortable shoes are recommended.*

This excursion has three parts: 1) A one-hour walking tour of the Port of Entry. This tour will view primary and secondary pedestrian and vehicle inspection procedures; multi-layered enforcement operations and seizures; watch commander office; canine utilization operations; border technologies: SENTRI primary processing; US-VISIT; License Plate Readers (LPR); Card Readers; Radiation Portal Monitors (RPM); Automated Biometric Identification System (IDENT); Treasury Enforcement Communications System (TECS); Customs Automated System (CAOS); Port Runner Exit Control System; NII Inspection System. Attendees will also view Port Enforcement Team (PET) and Anti-terrorism Contraband Enforcement Team (ATCET) operations. 2) A rolling brief of San Diego Sector Operations from inside the Border Infrastructure System on the east side of the San Ysidro Port, whose points of interests include a view of 'stadium style' lighting; RVSS camera system; all-weather road, Colonia Libertad; and soccer fields. 3) Points of interests on the west side of the San Ysidro Port of Entry including the revitalization of the Border community near the Tijuana river channel; tactical border infrastructure and enhancements; W-8; Smuggler's Gulch; Goat Canyon; and Border Field State, the most southwestern point of the United States.



12:00 pm to 3:00 pm      **Optional Tour of the Southwest Key Unaccompanied Minors Shelter**      El Cajon, California

Coordinators: **Judge Robert Longstreth** and **Judge Tamila E. Ipema**, Superior Court of California, County of San Diego

*Exit the main doors and turn left towards First Avenue to meet the buses at 11:45 a.m. for a 12:00 p.m. sharp departure. Comfortable shoes are recommended.*

Southwest Key is one of the largest providers of services to unaccompanied children in the United States. All of the children Southwest Key serves through its Unaccompanied Minors Shelter Programs are under 18 years old and here without a parent or guardian. Most are in search of their families and a better life. Southwest Key's programs encourage the development of personal and academic skills while the children are in their care. Children are accepted at Southwest Key's shelters any time day or night, and trained staff is available 24 hours a day to support them. During their stay, they receive crisis stabilization, legal and medical services, and attend an on-site school while awaiting the resolution of their legal case. The national goals for ideal length of stay in these shelters is 45 days, as arrangements are made to either reunite the youth with relatives living in the United States or back in their home country.

12:00 pm to 4:00 pm      **2013 - 2014 NAWJ Board of Directors Meeting**      Santa Fe Room,  
Westin Gaslamp Quarter Hotel

1:00 pm to 2:00 pm      **Film Screening of "Justice is a Black Woman:  
the Life and Times of Constance Baker Motley"**      Bi-Level Suite, Room 1623,  
Westin Gaslamp Quarter Hotel

Coordinator: **Commissioner Terrie E. Roberts**, Superior Court of California, San Diego County

Born on September 14, 1921, in New Haven, Connecticut, Constance Baker Motley became a major advocate for civil rights, and eventually the first black woman to be appointed to a federal judgeship in 1966. Her pioneering career as a civil rights lawyer, law-maker and judge spanned six decades and was highlighted by historic achievements including becoming the first African American woman accepted at Columbia Law School, the first African American woman elected to the New York Senate, the first woman and the first black woman to hold the position of Manhattan Borough President, and the first African American woman appointed to serve as a federal district judge. The production team for the documentary included Professor Michael Calia, director of the Quinnipiac University Ed McMahon Mass Communications Center, director/producer of the film; Ms. Susan Bailey, script writer; Ms. Lynn Bushnell, executive producer; and Dr. Gary Ford who wrote his dissertation on Judge Motley and was also a producer.

4:00 pm to 5:30 pm      **International Judges Reception  
at the San Diego Law Library**      1105 Front Street,  
San Diego, California

*Volunteers at the hotel lobby will escort you to the reception site which is within two city blocks.*

4:00 pm to 5:30 pm      **New Judge/First-Time  
Attendee/Mentor Reception**      U.S. Courthouse Annex, Conference Room,  
16th Floor, 333 West Broadway,  
San Diego

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6:00 pm to 8:00 pm      **WELCOME RECEPTION AT U.S. DISTRICT COURT,  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**      U.S. Courthouse Annex,  
333 West Broadway,  
San Diego

*Volunteers at the hotel lobby will escort you to and from the reception sites which are within two city blocks.*

8:30 pm to 10:05 pm      **Film Screening of "ANITA"**      California A, Second Floor,  
Westin Gaslamp  
Quarter Hotel  
*Screening of ANITA made possible by the generous support of Galente Ganci, APC.*

Directed by Academy Award-winning filmmaker Freida Mock, this film is a celebration of Anita Hill's legacy and a rare glimpse into her private life with friends and family. Anita Hill speaks openly and intimately for the first time about her experiences that led her to testify before the Senate and the obstacles she faced in telling the truth. She also candidly discusses what happened to her life and work in the years since.

7:30 am to 5:00 pm **Registration Information Desk** California Foyer,  
Westin Gaslamp Quarter Hotel

7:30 am to 8:30 am **Breakfast and Committee Meetings** California ABC,  
Westin Gaslamp Quarter Hotel  
Performance: Patrick Henry High School Women's Choir

8:30 am to 9:15 am **OPENING CEREMONIES** California ABC,  
Westin Gaslamp Quarter Hotel

Presentation of Colors / Flag Ceremony / San Diego Sheriff's Color Guard

Judge Anna Blackburne-Rigsby, NAWJ President  
Marie Komisar, NAWJ Executive Director  
Judge David Danielsen, Presiding Judge of the San Diego County Superior Court  
Judge Tamila E. Ipema and Judge Margie G. Woods, Conference Co-Chairs  
Welcome Message from San Diego Mayor Kevin Faulconer

9:15 am to 10:30 am **NAWJ's Historic Efforts, Changes, and Future Challenges for the "Violence Against Women Act"** California ABC,  
Westin Gaslamp Quarter Hotel

(1.25 CLE)

Coordinators: Judge Irma E. Gonzalez, U.S. District Court for the Southern District of California (Retired)  
Judge Keri G. Katz, Superior Court of California, County of San Diego

This program looks behind the scenes of NAWJ's tremendous effort in securing passage of the legislative landmark VAWA. The panel will discuss the 2013 VAWA reauthorization, which includes improved access to justice for all victims, and added protection for Native American women. VAWA continues to face challenges; this program demonstrates the necessity of working together in order to protect the vulnerable and access to justice.

Introduction: Judge Julie Frantz, Multnomah County Circuit Court (Oregon), NAWJ President-Elect

Ms. Lisalyn Jacobs, Vice President for Government Relations, Legal Momentum  
Chief Tribal Judge Theresa Pouley, Tulalip Tribe, State of Washington  
Ms. Lynn Hecht Schafran, Esq., Director, National Judicial Education Program, Legal Momentum  
Judge Mary M. Schroeder, United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, NAWJ Past President

10:45 am to 12:00 pm **CONCURRENT SESSIONS** Westin Gaslamp Quarter Hotel  
Santa Fe Room

**Changing Families, Changing Times - Part I** (1.25 CLE)  
*This program is made possible by the International Association of LGBT Judges.*

Coordinator: Judge Paula S. Rosenstein, Superior Court of California, County of San Diego

This program will examine the impact of the U.S. Supreme Court's decision in *U.S. v. Windsor* (June 2013) on lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) people from a national perspective. The panel discussion will highlight common areas of legal concern which judicial officers will be required to consider. Panelists will discuss legal developments since *Windsor*, current policy issues, and practical recommendations (e.g. increased importance and portability of judgments) while analyzing interstate issues, new federal-state legal conflicts, and arguments related to religious exemptions. Part One will explore the effect of *Windsor* on parenting issues such as definitions of families, reproductive rights and establishing legal ties between parents and children, as well as its effect on divorce and employment.

Mr. Larry A. Conway, Esq., Conway Law Group, Inc.  
Ms. Ginger Jacobs, Esq., Jacobs & Schlesinger LLP  
Ms. Jennifer C. Pizer, Esq., Senior Counsel, Lambda Legal  
Judge Maureen A. Tighe, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of California  
Ms. Denise M. Visconti, Esq., Littler Mendelson  
Ms. Deborah Wald, Esq., The Wald Law Group

10:45 am to 12:00 pm

## Meaningful Access to Justice in Indian Country

Sierra Room

(1.25 CLE)

Coordinator: **Judge Randa Trapp**, Superior Court of California, County of San Diego

Learn about tribal communities and the importance of working together to foster access to justice in and around Indian Country. Learn how the jurisdiction of the Tribal Courts differs from the jurisdiction of local, state, and federal courts. Gain a basic understanding of the historic legal foundation for Tribal Courts and learn why they are an acceptable, and sometimes preferable, alternative to partnering with local, state and federal courts.

Moderator: **Chief Judge Christine Williams**, Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians Tribal Court

**Presiding Judge Suzanne Kingsbury**, Superior Court of California, El Dorado County

**Chief Judge Patricia Lenzi**, Cedarville Rancheria Tribal Court

**Judge David Raasch**, Stockbridge-Munsee Band of Mohicans Tribal Court (Retired)

10:45 am to 12:00 pm

## Unaccompanied Immigrant Children

Plaza Room

(1.25 CLE)

Coordinators: **Judge Tamila E. Ipema**, Superior Court of California, County of San Diego

**Immigration Judge Renee L. Renner**

The panel will address questions and discuss situations faced by border cities, where an increasing number of unaccompanied and undocumented minors arrive each day. Many of these children are being detained in special camps. Why is this happening? What services are available to them? Who speaks on their behalf? How do these cases impact state courts? What is being done by federal authorities to respond?



Moderators: **Immigration Judge Dana Leigh Marks**, President, National Association of Immigration Judges

**Immigration Judge Renee L. Renner**

**Ms. Elizabeth Camarena, Esq.**, Associate Director for Legal Programs, Casa Cornelia Law Center

**Dr. John A. Martin**, Director CPPS Immigration and the State Courts Initiative, Human Trafficking and the State Courts Collaborative

**Ms. Rosalind Oliver, Esq.**, Supervising Attorney for Pro Bono Programs, Kids in Need of Defense

12:00 pm to 1:45 pm

## KEYNOTE LUNCHEON

California ABC,  
Westin Gaslamp Quarter Hotel

### *Keynote Speaker Manal Omar*

Associate Vice President, Middle East and Africa Center  
United States Institute of Peace

### Presentation of NAWJ Awards

2:15 pm to 3:30 pm

## CONCURRENT SESSIONS

Westin Gaslamp Quarter Hotel  
Plaza Room

### **The Forgotten Warriors: Female Veterans, Healthcare and the Courts**

(1.25 CLE)

Coordinator: **Colonel Linda Strite Murnane**, U.S. Air Force (Retired)

This panel discussion will focus on female veterans, who comprise fourteen percent of the service members in U.S. military forces. Have support services to female service members been lacking, unrealistic or ignored by the courts and Veterans Administration? What is needed and why? The panel will explore these questions.

**Ms. Elisa Basnight, Esq.**, Director, Center for Women Veterans, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

**Judge Wendy Lindley**, Superior Court of California, Orange County Veterans Court (Retired)

**Ms. Suzanne Will, Esq.**, Office of General Counsel, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

2:15 pm to 3:30 pm **Of Babies, Bodies and Borders: Emerging Issues in International Surrogacy** Santa Fe Room  
(1.25 CLE)

Coordinator: **Judge Susan P. Finlay**, Superior Court of California, County of San Diego (Retired)

This program explores the legal, social and ethical implications of international child surrogacy arrangements, a rapidly expanding avenue of “contractual childbirth.” Nations across the globe approach surrogacy in vastly different ways, as do states within the United States. Some jurisdictions liberally allow commercial surrogacy contracts; some ban them entirely, while others impose extensive regulations. The result is a patchwork of inconsistent laws, and an atmosphere of uncertainty. This program will discuss the impact of inconsistent surrogacy laws on children conceived through surrogacy arrangements, as well as their birth parents and intending parents. The speakers will also explore proposed approaches to international surrogacy through the lenses of feminist theory, contract theory and children’s rights.

**Justice Debra L. Stephens**, Washington Supreme Court  
**Professor Mary Ziegler, Ph.D.**, Florida State University College of Law

2:15 pm to 3:30 pm **Immigration: Who “Belongs” and Who Doesn’t?** (1.25 CLE) Balboa Room  
*This program is presented and sponsored by CourtCall and the Western Justice Center.*

Through the presentation of the play ‘Wheels’, this session explores immigration, xenophobia and the privileges and responsibilities of citizenship through the eyes of Oscar, a 15 ½ year old Salvadorian-American youth, and the people he encounters on his first journey through the maze of the Department of Motor Vehicles. In pursuit of his learner’s permit and ultimately his driver’s license, Oscar encounters a range of perspectives on freedom, mobility, and the dreams and realities associated with U.S. citizenship. Focusing on a current legal issue, this presentation illustrates the personal impact of various view on immigration.

Moderator: **Judge Judith C. Chirlin**, Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles (Retired)  
Facilitator: **Ms. Melissa Morgan**, Director of Partnerships, Orange County Human Relations Council  
Actor: **Mr. Frankie Garcés**, ENCOMPASS

2:15 pm to 3:30 pm **Access to Justice Through Diverse Leadership: Appointments of Counsel to Boards, Commissions and Special Assignment** (1.25 CLE) Sierra Room

Join this panel of experts to explore the use of the judicial power of appointment to improve access to justice for all. Judges can improve access to justice for all members of the community through the use of their powers of appointment. Courts appoint special masters, lead counsel in class action cases and trustees in bankruptcy or probate cases. Courts also appoint counsel to court committees and task forces that do important policy and oversight work within the legal system. These appointments can increase diversity and provide an important platform for the development of leaders of the bar, and can also serve as a pipeline to the bench.

Opening Remarks: **Judge Anna Blackburne-Rigsby**, District of Columbia Court of Appeals, NAWJ President  
Moderators: **Ms. Karen G. Johnson-McKewan, Esq.**, Partner, Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP; Co-Chair, NAWJ Resource Board  
**Ms. Elaine Metlin, Esq.**, Partner, Dickstein Shapiro LLP, Co-Chair, NAWJ Resource Board  
Associate Justice **Fernande R.V. Duffly**, Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court; NAWJ Past President  
**U.S. Attorney Melinda Haag**, Northern District of California  
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**Ms. Roberta Liebenberg, Esq.**, Senior Partner, Fine Kaplan & Black R.P.C.  
**Chief Judge Laura S. Taylor**, U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of California

3:45 pm to 5:00 pm **Access to Justice for Family Violence Survivors: Family Justice Centers and Other Innovative Practices** California AB, Westin Gaslamp Quarter Hotel

Coordinator: **Ms. Jerrilyn T. Malana, Esq.**, Shareholder, Littler Mendelson, PC

This session will educate attendees on the rapidly developing “Family and Justice Center” movement, as well as other innovative practices that support state and federal judges in addressing the issues of domestic violence, sexual assault, child abuse, and elder abuse plaguing local communities.

Introduction: **Presiding Judge Diana Becton**, NAWJ Secretary, Contra Costa Superior Court  
**Administrative and Presiding Judge Ronald B. Adrine**, Domestic Violence Court, Cleveland, Ohio  
**Ms. Reena Becerra, MA**, Survivor  
**Mr. Casey Gwinn, Esq.**, President, National Family Justice Center Alliance  
**Ms. Gael Strack, Esq.**, CEO, National Family Justice Center Alliance

# THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2014

5:30 pm to 8:00 pm

## RECEPTION AT THE MARITIME MUSEUM OF SAN DIEGO

1492 North Harbor Drive,  
Port of San Diego

*This reception is made possible by the generous donation of the American Constitution Society.*

*Trolleys will provide looped transportation from the hotel beginning at 5:15 p.m. Exit the main doors and turn left towards First Ave to meet the trolleys. Arrival is encouraged in time for the sunset at 6:15p.m. Volunteers will also be present to walk with groups to the Museum on board the steam ferry Berkeley, which is about one mile away.*

8:30 pm to 10:00 pm

## Film Screening of "PRESUMED GUILTY"

California A,  
Westin Gaslamp Quarter Hotel

In this documentary, filmmakers Roberto Hernandez and Layda Negrete document the struggle to free Antonio Zuniga, who was wrongly convicted of murder. The film includes live scenes from the trial, as well as Zuniga's time in the Mexican prison. This film was initially banned in Mexico and has been the subject of ongoing legal proceedings. View this Emmy award winning film, then meet the attorney/filmmakers at the "Presumed Guilty: The Challenge of Justice in the Americas" panel held on Friday at 3:45 p.m.

8:30 pm to 11:30 pm

## Hospitality Social

Bi-level Suite, Room 1623,  
Westin Gaslamp Quarter Hotel

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# FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2014

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6:30 am to 7:30 am

## Yoga

Balboa Room,  
Westin Gaslamp Quarter Hotel

*Please sign up for yoga and submit \$10 fee in advance at the Registration Desk.*

6:30 am to 7:30 am

## Walking Tour of San Diego - Gaslamp District/ 5th Avenue/Embarcadero/Midway/Star of India

San Diego

*Please meet outside of the Westin Hotel, just to the east, in front of the Post Office in Horton Plaza.*

Come out and enjoy San Diego on a beautiful 3-3.5 mile walk led by Commissioner Pennie K. McLaughlin of San Diego Superior Court. Our walk will travel through the historic Gaslamp District and down 5th Avenue, named one of "America's Great Streets," to the Embarcadero and San Diego's beautiful waterfront marina area. We will wind our way back after a short trek to the Midway and Star of India, and grab coffee, tea and delicious morning buns at Specialty's, just a block from our hotel. Bring comfortable walking shoes and athletic clothing, along with money for coffee and scrumptious baked goods.

7:30 am to 5:00 pm

## Registration Information Desk

California Foyer,  
Westin Gaslamp Quarter Hotel

7:30 am to 9:00 am

## KEYNOTE BREAKFAST PLENARY

(1.00 CLE)

California ABC,  
Westin Gaslamp Quarter Hotel

*Professor Anita F. Hill*  
Brandeis University

*Professor Charles J. Ogletree, Jr.*  
Harvard Law School

9:00 am to 9:10 am

## Book Signing

California Ballroom Foyer,  
Westin Gaslamp Quarter Hotel

Anita F. Hill signs for "*Reimagining Equality: Stories of Gender, Race and Finding Home*"

9:10 am to 10:25 am

## Labor Trafficking

*This program is presented and sponsored by the National Judicial College.*

California ABC,  
Westin Gaslamp Quarter Hotel

(1.25 CLE)

Coordinator: **Mr. William Brunson, JD**, Director of Special Projects, National Judicial College

This session will focus on emerging trends in the United States and legal responses to labor trafficking. The U.S. is a destination country for trafficking in persons. Human trafficking is now recognized as a criminal phenomenon that occurs in the vast majority of U.S. communities, with labor trafficking even more prevalent than sex trafficking. Landmark federal legislation — The Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 and its subsequent reauthorizations — enhances criminal penalties, provides civil remedies, and affords new protections to trafficking victims. As of 2014, all 50 states have also enacted state anti-trafficking statutes, which will result in a greater number of state prosecutions as human trafficking task forces and local law enforcement build cases against all forms of trafficking.

After participating in the session, judges will be able to: (1) Describe how the Trafficking Victim Protection Act of 2000 and later state laws have changed previous definitions of slavery; (2) Define how force, fraud, and coercion are employed against victims in modern human trafficking cases; (3) Identify how labor trafficking is typically manifested in the U.S. economy; and (4) Summarize how federal and state statutes (including California's Transparency in Supply Chains Act of 2010) address the issue of labor trafficking.

Introduction: **Judge Susan P. Finlay (Retired)**, National Conflict Resolution Center, Conference Education Committee Co-Chair

**Professor Terence Coonan, JD**, Director, Center for the Advancement of Human Rights, Florida State University College of Law

10:35 am to 11:45 am

## CONCURRENT SESSIONS

Westin Gaslamp Quarter Hotel  
Plaza Room

### Global Women's Issues: Using the Rule of Law to Promote Women's Rights

(1.10 CLE)

Join Betty Bernstein-Zabza from the Department of State's Office of Global Women's Issues to discuss issues affecting women worldwide, and to address the steps that are being taken to provide access to justice.

Moderator: **Judge Judith C. Chirlin**, Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles (Retired)

**Ms. Betty Bernstein-Zabza**, Senior Advisor, Director of Operations, Office of Global Women's Issues, U.S. Department of State

10:35 am to 11:45 am

### The Language of Sexual Violence

Sierra Room

(1.10 CLE)

Coordinator: **Judge Susan P. Finlay**, Superior Court of California, County of San Diego (Retired)

This program identifies objectionable language used from the bench and in judicial opinions, all of which serve to perpetuate bias, stigmatize victims and diminish the severity of the crime. The program will educate attendees on the reality of sexual violence and increase awareness of the relationship between judicial word choice and perception of sexual violence. An interactive program will feature exercises based on actual cases. Attendees will have the opportunity to rewrite opinions by choosing words more accurately in order to most appropriately describe the sexual assault at hand.

**Ms. Claudia J. Bayliff, Esq.**, Project Attorney, National Judicial Education Program, Legal Momentum

10:35 am to 11:45 am

### Changing Families, Changing Times - Part II (1.10 CLE)

Santa Fe Room

*This program is made possible by the International Association of LGBT Judges.*

Coordinator: **Judge Paula S. Rosenstein**, Superior Court of California, County of San Diego

Continuing Thursday's examination of the impact of the U.S. Supreme Court's decision in *U.S. v. Windsor* (June 2013) on lesbian, gay bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) people from a national perspective. This session will focus on the impact of *Windsor* on the areas of immigration, tax, and bankruptcy.

**Mr. Larry A. Conway, Esq.**, Conway Law Group, Inc.

**Ms. Ginger Jacobs, Esq.**, Jacobs & Schlesinger LLP

**Ms. Jennifer C. Pizer, Esq.**, Senior Counsel, Lambda Legal

**Judge Maureen A. Tighe**, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of California

**Ms. Denise M. Visconti, Esq.**, Littler Mendelson

**Ms. Deborah Wald, Esq.**, The Wald Law Group

12:00 pm to 1:45 pm

## FRIENDS APPRECIATION LUNCHEON

U. S. Grant Hotel  
326 Broadway, San Diego

### *Keynote Speaker Janet Napolitano*

President, University of California (1.00 CLE)

*Volunteers will meet guests in  
the lobby to escort you to the  
U.S. Grant Hotel*

### Presentation of NAWJ Awards

2:00 pm to 3:30 pm

### Film Screening of "PRESUMED GUILTY"

California A, Second Floor  
Westin Gaslamp Quarter Hotel

In this documentary, filmmakers Roberto Hernandez and Layda Negrete document the struggle to free Antonio Zuniga, who was wrongly convicted of murder. The film includes live scenes from the trial, as well as Zuniga's time in the Mexican prison. This film was initially banned in Mexico and has been the subject of ongoing legal proceedings. View this Emmy award winning film, then meet the attorney/filmmakers at the "Presumed Guilty: The Challenge of Justice in the Americas" panel held today, following this screening.

2:15 pm to 3:30 pm

## CONCURRENT SESSIONS

Westin Gaslamp Quarter Hotel  
Sierra Room

### Who Do You Believe and Why: The Science of Credibility

(1.25 CLE)

This program is designed to assist judicial officers in making credibility decisions consistent with modern scientific research and best judicial practices. The session will increase judges' awareness of modern scientific research and how it affects credibility determinations. The panel will provide judges with concrete tools with which to address common unconscious assumptions, and will use fact patterns from sex discrimination cases to illustrate how they affect credibility determinations. Discussion will also include the central role of credibility determinations, appellate review and attempts to legislate how credibility is determined in Immigration Court proceedings, as well as the possible impact of work stress and vicarious traumatic stress (compassion fatigue) on credibility determinations.

Moderator: **Administrative Judge Kathleen Mulligan**, U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission

**Professor Marybeth Herald, J.**, Thomas Jefferson School of Law

**Immigration Judge Carol A. King**

**Judge Elizabeth K. Lee**, Superior Court of California, San Mateo County; Chair, NAWJ Human Trafficking Subcommittee

2:15 pm to 3:30 pm

### From Tragedy to Triumph: How Two Men Turned the Horror of Murder into a Community Reconciliation

Santa Fe Room

(1.25 CLE)

Coordinator: **Judge Joan Weber**, Superior Court of California, San Diego County

This panel honors a foundation created by two parents to educate young people on the horrors of gang violence. In January 1995, while delivering pizza, 20 year-old San Diego State student Tariq Khamisa was shot and killed by a 14 year-old gang recruit, Tony Hicks. After the case concluded, Tariq's father, Mr. Azim Khamisa, and Tony's grandfather and guardian, Mr. Ples Felix, established a foundation to educate young people on the horrors of gang violence. Hear from both of these dedicated and inspirational men, as well as the judge, prosecutor, and defense lawyer on the case. This will surely be an unforgettable presentation.

**Mr. Henry Coker, Esq.**, Public Defender of San Diego County

**Judge Peter Deddeh**, Superior Court of California, San Diego County

**Mr. Ples W. Felix, Jr.**, Co-Founder, Tariq Khamisa Foundation

**Mr. Azim Khamisa**, Co-Founder, Tariq Khamisa Foundation

**Judge Joan Weber**, Superior Court of California, San Diego County

*Mr. Khamisa's books will be for sale in the California Foyer following his session and he will sign copies.*

2:15 pm to 3:30 pm

## International Tea and Ethics

Plaza Room

(1.25 CLE)

Coordinators: **Judge Tamila E. Ipema**, Superior Court of California, San Diego County; Co-Chair, 2014 Annual Conference Committee  
**Judge Margie G. Woods**, Superior Court of California, San Diego County; Co-Chair, 2014 Annual Conference Committee

This international roundtable of judges from around the world will convene over tea for a discussion of global ethical hot topics. Our facilitator will lead small group discussions of hypothetical questions throughout this interactive program. Each small group, to be seated in roundtable formation, will have its own discussion leader. After discussion, proposed “solutions” will be presented to the whole group. Your hosts will include the Co-Chairs of the NAWJ’s International Judges Committee and the Co-Chairs of the Annual Conference.

Moderator: **Ms. Victoria Henley**, Director/Chief Counsel, California Council on Judicial Performance

Facilitators: **Judge Desiree Bruce-Lyle**, Superior Court of California, San Diego County  
**Judge Yvonne E. Campos**, Superior Court of California, San Diego County  
**Judge Judith C. Chirlin**, Los Angeles Superior Court (Retired)  
**Judge Patricia Cowett**, San Diego Superior Court (Retired)  
**Judge Patricia Garcia**, Superior Court of California, San Diego County  
**Administrative Presiding Justice Judith D. McConnell**, California Court of Appeal, Fourth District;  
NAWJ Past President

3:45 pm to 5:00 pm

## “Presumed Guilty:” The Challenge of Justice in the Americas

California ABC,  
Westin Gaslamp Quarter Hotel

(1.25 CLE)

Coordinators: **Administrative Presiding Justice Judith D. McConnell**, California Court of Appeal, Fourth District;  
NAWJ Past President  
**Judge Hon. Ana L. España**, Superior Court of California, San Diego County

This program offers a virtual tour of the challenges of criminal justice reform through the eyes of two Mexican lawyers and filmmakers who played a pivotal role in the exoneration of a young Mexican man wrongfully convicted of murder. Other countries in Latin America, as well as the United States, face the similar challenge of wrongful convictions. Using clips from the Emmy award-winning movie, “Presunto Culpable” (Presumed Guilty), which was initially banned in Mexico, this panel will explore what the rule of law means in the Americas. The panel will also explore whether current and proposed reforms will be effective, whether scientific evidence changes the calculus, the pitfalls of ineffective counsel, and the realities of the pressure to convict.

Moderator: **Judge M. Margaret McKeown**, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit

**Professor Justin Brooks, JD, LL.M**, Executive Director, Institute for Criminal Defense Advocacy, California Western School of Law  
**Mr. Roberto Hernandez, Esq.**, Filmmaker/Lawyer  
**Ms. Layda Negrette, Esq.**, Filmmaker/Lawyer  
**Justice Janet Tello Gilardi**, Supreme Court of Peru

5:00 pm to 6:00 pm

## NAWJ Resource Board Meeting

Santa Fe Room,  
Westin Gaslamp Quarter Hotel

5:00 pm to 7:00 pm

## Lawyers Club of San Diego NAWJ Judicial Reception

U.S. Courthouse Annex,  
333 West Broadway, San Diego



**LAWYERS CLUB**  
of San Diego

This reception is sponsored by Lawyers Club of San Diego for NAWJ attendees and Lawyers Club members, including our local judiciary. There is no additional cost to NAWJ attendees.

## DINNER ON YOUR OWN

Discover San Diego’s famous Gaslamp Quarter and Horton Plaza which features an abundance of restaurants, shops and entertainment venues. Take a boat cruise around San Diego Bay or catch the Coronado Ferry to the Coronado Ferry Landing a waterfront marketplace with unique shops and restaurants and beautiful view of the San Diego Skyline or visit the famous Hotel Del Coronado a short cab ride from the marketplace to the Pacific Ocean.



# FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2014

8:30 pm to 11:00 pm

HOSPITALITY EVENING  
DESSERTS AND SOCIAL

Harbor Room, 3rd Floor,  
Westin Gaslamp Quarter Hotel

Jointly Hosted by the Salt Lake City 2015 NAWJ Annual Conference and San Diego Annual Conference Committee.

Come mix and mingle with your attendee colleagues and the Planning Committee for the 2015 Annual Conference. Enjoy dessert and special sweets from Salt Lake City and San Diego. Get a glimpse of the sights and beauty of Salt Lake City and Utah!

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## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2014

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6:30 am to 7:30 am

Yoga

Balboa Room,  
Westin Gaslamp Quarter Hotel

*Please sign up for yoga and submit \$10 fee in advance at the Registration Desk.*

6:30 am to 7:30 am

Walking Tour of San Diego - 6th Avenue/Balboa Park/  
Cabrillo Bridge/Prado

San Diego

*Please meet outside of the Westin Hotel, just to the east, in front of the Post Office in Horton Plaza.*

Come out and enjoy San Diego on a beautiful 3-3.5 mile walk led by Commissioner Pennie K. McLaughlin of San Diego Superior Court. Our route for this morning will take us up a hill on 6th Avenue (the last mile of San Diego's famed half-marathon run) to scenic Balboa Park, across the newly renovated Cabrillo Bridge to the Prado, then back around to a pass by the Bake Sale Bakery on F Street and 8th Avenue in the Gaslamp. Bring comfortable walking shoes and athletic clothing, along with money for coffee and scrumptious baked goods.

7:30 am to 5:00 pm

Registration Information Desk

California Foyer,  
Westin Gaslamp Quarter Hotel

7:45 am to 8:45 am

NAWJ ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING  
(BREAKFAST)

California ABC,  
Westin Gaslamp Quarter Hotel

9:00 am to 10:30 am

Judicial Decision-Making: Demographics,  
Neuroscience, Fairness, and Access to Justice

California ABC,  
Westin Gaslamp Quarter Hotel

*This program is supported by the California State Bar Council on Access and Fairness.*

*(1.50 CLE)*

Coordinator: Ms. Jerrilyn T. Malana, Esq., Shareholder, Littler Mendelson, PC

Emerging research in neuroscience shows how judges and juries assess and determine veracity, threat, credibility, intelligence and competence in a diverse society. Demographic studies of judicial diversity reveal that women and people of color are underrepresented on the bench. In this interactive course, brain imaging studies will be used to illustrate how the finder of fact's analysis of quantitative and qualitative information can be affected by neurophysiologic processes and unconscious reactions. The course will identify ways to increase judicial diversity, improve fairness in decision-making, and expand access to justice.

Introduction: Judge Marcella A. Holland, Baltimore City Circuit Court (Retired), NAWJ Treasurer

Judge Brenda Harbin-Forte, Superior Court of California, County of Alameda  
Ms. Kimberly Papillon, Esq., Lecturer and Consultant, The Better Mind

10:45 am to 12:15 pm

## Election, Selection, and Retention of Judges: Challenges to Judicial Independence

California ABC,  
Westin Gaslamp Quarter Hotel

(1.50 CLE)

Coordinators: **Administrative Presiding Justice Judith D. McConnell**, California Court of Appeal, Fourth District; NAWJ Past President  
**Justice Joan K. Irion**, California Court of Appeal, Fourth District; Chair, NAWJ Judicial Independence Committee; Creator, Informed Voters/Fair Judges Project

The Informed Voters/Fair Judges Project is an NAWJ project selected by the Education Committee for the conference "Spotlight." The project centers on a civic education program designed to better educate our community, especially our voters, about the "third branch" of government and the importance of our courts in a democratic society. Speakers will focus on the challenges we face, given the lack of current awareness by the public of the need for fair and impartial courts. Speakers will discuss various programs being undertaken to enhance civic learning on the state and national level, as well as trends and challenges to judicial independence, including increasing attempts to politicize the courts. The discussion will touch on what we, as judges and lawyers, can do to preserve our precious court system.

Introduction: **Judge Lisa S. Walsh**, Florida Eleventh Judicial Circuit, Civil Division, NAWJ Vice President, Districts

Moderator: **Ms. Karen Johnson-McKewan, Esq.**, Partner, Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP; Co-Chair, NAWJ Resource Board; Chair, California Coordinating Committee for the Informed Voters/Fair Judges Project

**Mr. Bert Brandenburg**, Executive Director, Justice at Stake  
**Chief Justice Tani G. Cantil-Sakauye**, State of California  
**Justice Peggy Ann Quince**, Justice, Supreme Court of Florida

12:30 pm to 3:00 pm

## NAWJ 2014-2015 Board of Directors Meeting

Santa Fe Room,  
Westin Gaslamp Quarter Hotel

### LUNCH AND EXPLORE TIME ON YOUR OWN

Discover other parts of San Diego besides the Gaslamp Quarter, Horton Plaza, San Diego Bay and Coronado and visit Balboa Park and the museums or the famous San Diego Zoo or Sea World or relax at the many San Diego beaches and towns from Mission Beach to La Jolla.

1:30 pm to 3:30 pm

## Optional Tour of San Diego Family Justice Center

1122 Broadway, Suite 200,  
San Diego, California

*Exit the main doors and turn left towards First Avenue to meet the buses for a 1:30 p.m. sharp departure.*

Coordinator: **Judge Margaret M. Mann**, U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of California

Opened in 2002, the San Diego Family Justice Center was designed to provide comprehensive support by law enforcement, professionals and civic minded groups for people facing family violence, child abuse, and elder abuse, in one location. Services provided by the Center range from safety and protection from the abuser, to legal help, counseling, food, clothing, spiritual support and medical assistance. The Center is committed to providing victims of domestic violence the help they need to break the cycle of family violence. The Center's mission and structure were recognized as an innovative, model program by President George Bush in 2003, and has been duplicated in other communities nationally and internationally. NAWJ offers this tour to provide access to the Center's facilities, and conversations with its staff, which will cover the use of its casual gathering rooms, child play rooms, and professional offices. You will learn from the experience how people struggling with family violence can find comfort at the Center and start on their journey of recovery and empowerment.

1:30 pm to 2:30 pm

## Film Screening of "Justice is a Black Woman: the Life and Times of Constance Baker Motley"

California A,  
Westin Gaslamp Quarter Hotel

Coordinator: **Commissioner Terrie E. Roberts**, Superior Court of California, San Diego County

Born on September 14, 1921, in New Haven, Connecticut, Constance Baker Motley became a major advocate for civil rights, and eventually the first black woman to be appointed to a federal judgeship in 1966. Her pioneering career as a civil rights lawyer, lawmaker and judge spanned six decades and was highlighted by historic achievements including becoming the first African American woman accepted at Columbia Law School, the first African American woman elected to the New York Senate, the first woman and the first black woman to hold the position of Manhattan Borough President, and the first African American woman appointed to serve as a federal district judge. The production team for the documentary included Professor Michael Calia, director of the Quinnipiac University Ed McMahon Mass Communications Center, director/producer of the film; Ms. Susan Bailey, script writer; Ms. Lynn Bushnell, executive producer; and Dr.

# SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2014

5:30 pm to 6:30 pm

Cocktail Reception

Garden Terrace, 4th Floor,  
Westin Gaslamp Quarter Hotel

6:30 pm to 10:30 pm

**NAWJ GALA BANQUET**  
**Keynote Speaker Honorable Sonia Sotomayor**  
*Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court*  
Investiture of New President and Officers  
Entertainment and Dancing

California Ballroom,  
Westin Gaslamp Quarter Hotel

10:30 pm to 11:30 pm

HOSPITALITY SOCIAL

Bi-level Suite, Room 1623,  
Westin Gaslamp Quarter Hotel

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## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2014

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7:30 am to 12:00 pm

Registration Information Desk

California Foyer,  
Westin Gaslamp Quarter Hotel

8:30 am to 9:30 am

NAWJ District Breakfast Meetings

Garden Terrace,  
Westin Gaslamp Quarter Hotel

10:00 am to 11:15 am

**Access to Justice and Implicit Bias: A Conversation**  
*(1.25 CLE)*

San Diego Ballroom, 4th Floor,  
Westin Gaslamp Quarter Hotel

This session will discuss the impact of implicit bias in the administration of justice in our courts. Moderator Administrative Law Judge Margaret Mangan's questions to the panelists will focus on: (i) the difference between explicit and implicit bias; (ii) personal experience with implicit bias, either as the recipient of the bias or the offender; and (iii) suggestions for creating bias-free courts.

Moderator: **Administrative Law Judge Margaret Mangan**, District of Columbia Office of Administrative Hearings

**Justice Sonia Sotomayor**, United States Supreme Court

**Judge Anna Blackburne-Rigsby**, District of Columbia Court of Appeals; NAWJ President

**Judge M. Margaret McKeown**, President, Federal Judges Association; U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit

11:15 am to 11:45 am

**Book Sale: "My Beloved World" by  
Justice Sonia Sotomayor**

San Diego Ballroom Foyer,  
Westin Gaslamp Quarter Hotel



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# NATIONAL ASSOCIATION *of* WOMEN JUDGES

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The Resource Board of the National Association of Women Judges is committed to supporting NAWJ both financially and programmatically, for the purposes of (a) assuring that NAWJ has sufficient economic and human resources to execute its strategic plan; (b) developing bonds of mutual support and respect between and among Resource Board members and NAWJ members; and (c) promoting the professional advancement and elevating the standing of women from both the bench and bar.

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## JUDGE RONALD B. ADRINE

The Honorable Ronald Adrine is Administrative and Presiding Judge of the Cleveland Municipal Court, and national authority on issues concerning domestic violence. A life-long resident of Greater Cleveland, Judge Adrine graduated from Fisk University and the Cleveland-Marshall College of Law. He passed the bar in 1973, and in 1974 he joined the staff of the Cuyahoga County Prosecutor as an assistant in the criminal trial division. In 1976, he entered the private practice of law with his father, the late Russell T. Adrine. Two years later was appointed to serve as a Senior Staff Counsel to the U.S. House of Representatives Select Committee on Assassinations. He ran for his current seat on the Cleveland Municipal Court bench in 1981. Judge Adrine was reelected five times, without opposition, to six-year terms, most recently in November of 2011. His peers elected him Administrative and Presiding Judge in 2008 and reelected him to that position in 2009, 2010, and 2011. Judge Adrine chaired the Ohio Commission on Racial Fairness. He is the immediate past chair of the Ohio Supreme Court's Interpreter Services Advisory Committee and the National Board of Directors of the Family Violence Prevention Fund. He chairs Cleveland's Domestic Violence Coordinating Council and the effort to bring a Family Justice Center to Cleveland. He also co-chairs the Advisory Board of the National Judicial Institute on Domestic Violence, a joint initiative of the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges, the Family Violence Prevention Fund and the U.S. Department of Justice. He is co-author of "Ohio Domestic Violence Law," part of Thomson-West Legal Publishing Company's Ohio Handbook Series. In 2000, he was awarded the Ohio Bar Medal by the Ohio State Bar Association, its highest honor, in recognition of his contributions to the profession and the community.



## JUDGE LORNA A. ALKSNE

The Honorable Lorna A. Alksne received her Juris Doctor degree from University of San Diego School of Law in 1992 and her bachelor's degree in international relations from Mills College in 1986. She was appointed as a Judge to the Superior Court of California in 2005, and served as the family law supervising judge from 2007 to 2012. Judge Alksne is currently assigned to a trial department and hears criminal, civil, juvenile and family law matters. Prior to joining the court, Judge Alksne was a Commissioner for the Superior Court of California; an associate at Gray, Cary, Ware and Friedenrich LLP (now DLA Piper) and at Paul, Plevin, Sullivan & Connaughton LLP; and worked in the San Diego District Attorney's Office. The Chief Justice of

the Supreme Court of California appointed Judge Alksne to be a member of the Elkins Task Force in 2008. The task force is widely recognized as leading California toward uniformity in family law including mandatory case management in all family law cases. She is also a member of the New Court House Construction Committee. Judge Alksne serves as the New Judge Coordinator for all newly appointed and elected Judges to the San Diego Superior Court, and is a member of the National Association of Women Judges and San Diego Lawyers Club.



## JUDGE KATHERINE BACAL

The Honorable Katherine Bacal is a Judge of the San Diego Superior Court. She is currently assigned to an independent calendar civil department. She has also heard family matters and had a criminal assignment (trials and felony arraignment). Judge Bacal was appointed by Governor Schwarzenegger, taking the bench in February 2008. Before becoming a Judge, she practiced complex commercial litigation at the law firms of Baker & McKenzie LLP and Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher, LLP. Judge Bacal is the former president of Lawyers Club of San Diego and sat on the Board of Directors of ABTL, San Diego Chapter. She received her JD from the University of Texas at Austin and did her undergraduate work at the University of Redlands, Johnston Center, where she graduated Phi Beta Kappa.



## ELISA BASNIGHT

Elisa Basnight was appointed Director of the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Center for Women Veterans in October 2013. She is the primary advisor to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs on programs and issues related to women veterans. Ms. Basnight serves as an ex-officio member on the Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services (DACOWITS) and also serves as the Department's representative on the White House Council on Women and Girls. Prior to her appointment, Ms. Basnight served as corporate commercial counsel at Buchanan Ingersoll & Rooney in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania focusing on general corporate; commercial contracts; small, women, veterans and minority-owned businesses; and technology. She was an Associate with Debevoise & Plimpton LLP in New York, New York where her practice focused on mergers and acquisition in domestic and international markets. Prior to her legal work, Ms. Basnight served as the Director of Resource Center for Workforce Essentials, Inc. in Clarksville, Tennessee where she developed and led the conception and

implementation of an innovative career development center to assist downsized service members into civilian employment. Ms. Basnight graduated from the U. S. Military Academy, West Point in 1991, making her the first African-American woman graduate from the state of Wisconsin. She was commissioned a military intelligence officer and received a Joint Chiefs of Staff appointment. Ms. Basnight has served both overseas and in the United States, on active duty with the U.S. Army and in the U.S. Army Reserves. She is a member of the U.S. Army Philadelphia Community Advisory Board, a former term member of the Council on Foreign Relations; and author of the 2008 Veterans Day op-ed “Remember the Veterans.” Ms. Basnight is the founder of Girls Action Network, Inc. a nonprofit whose mission is to shatter stereotypes and expand opportunities for girls and young women from underserved communities with particular interests in STEM fields. Ms. Basnight is a graduate of Boston University-Brunells, Rutgers Law School-Newark, and Harvard University’s Kennedy School of Government, where she earned a Master’s degree in public administration and was selected a Zuckerman Fellow 2006-2007.

and adults who have been victims of trauma and abuse. As a Doctor in Clinical Psychology, Reena aspires to empower, educate and provide therapy to survivors of violence. Ms. Becerra served as the Chair of VOICES for three years. She provides outreach to survivors, case managers, at risk youth, residents of the YWCA and a variety of prevention agencies in the community. She has also been featured in educational documentary tools for prosecutors, judges and forensic staff who work in the field of violence. Ms. Becerra has also worked at CAMP HOPE with child survivors of abuse in camp settings providing hope and healing. She has been a guest speaker at various international conferences and events related to domestic violence. She has been featured in Glamour and Shine magazines. Her media and television show appearances have included a community talk show SHADES of San Diego, a local news magazine show called “The San Diego Insider”, and Fox’s San Diego’s “Most Wanted: FBI Files.” She is also a survivor of domestic violence.



### CLAUDIA J. BAYLIFF

Claudia J. Bayliff is an attorney and educator with twenty-six years of experience working on issues related to sexual assault. At Legal Momentum, she currently serves as the National Judicial Education Program’s (NJEP) Project Attorney, developing judicial educational materials and educating judges about sexual assault.

She was the first Chief of the United States Air Force’s worldwide \$18 million Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Program. She has also consulted with the Department of the Navy, Marine Corps, Army and the Coast Guard to help them develop their sexual assault prevention, investigation and response strategies. Ms. Bayliff served as Assistant Director of the Boulder County Rape Crisis Team. She also taught classes on women and the law at the University of Colorado in Boulder and Denver. In addition, she presents at conferences and professional organizations throughout the United States, Canada and Europe about violence against women and children.



### BETTY BERNSTEIN-ZABZA

Betty Bernstein-Zabza has been a Foreign Service Officer with the U.S. Department of State since 1993. She joined the Secretary’s Office of Global Women’s Issues in July 2013, serving as the Senior Advisor on Near Eastern Affairs. Ms. Bernstein-Zabza

received a Masters of Arts Degree in Strategic Security Affairs in 2013 from the National Defense University’s College of International Security Affairs. Her thesis was on “The Radicalization of European Muslim Youth and the Role of U.S. Foreign Policy.” Ms. Bernstein-Zabza served in U.S. Embassies in Warsaw, Poland (1994-96), Bern, Switzerland (1996-98), Tel Aviv, Israel (2003-06) and Berlin, Germany (2007-2010). She also served as Pakistan Desk Officer after the 9/11 terrorist attack (2000-2002) and as deputy director in the Department of State’s Bureau of European and Eurasian Affairs covering Central Europe and then Western Europe. Ms. Bernstein-Zabza is an attorney and worked for the D. C. City Council prior to joining the Foreign Service. She lives in Falls Church, Virginia with her husband and son.



### REENA BECERRA

Reena Becerra attends Alliant International University’s California Professional School of Psychology and is currently enrolled in a Clinical Psychology Doctorate program for her Ph.D. She received her Bachelor’s Degree in Psychology at San Diego State University in 2010. She completed her Master’s

Degree in Clinical Psychology in May of 2012 at California Professional School of Psychology. Ms. Becerra treats children at the Family Justice Center providing therapeutic services to children



### JUDGE ANNA BLACKBURNE-RIGSBY

The Honorable Anna Blackburne-Rigsby was nominated by President George W. Bush to the District of Columbia Court of Appeals in August 2006. Judge Blackburne-Rigsby chairs the District of Columbia Courts’ Standing Committee on Fairness

and Access, and serves as Co-Chair of the District of Columbia’s Access to Justice Commission. Judge Blackburne-Rigsby is the President of the National Association of Women Judges (NAWJ). Prior to her appointment to the District of Columbia

Court of Appeals, Judge Blackburne-Rigsby was nominated by President William Jefferson Clinton to the Superior Court of the District of Columbia and served from 2000-2006. Judge Blackburne-Rigsby previously served as Magistrate Judge on the Superior Court of the District of Columbia from 1995-2000. Following law school, Judge Blackburne-Rigsby was an associate at the law firm of Hogan Lovells US LLP (formerly Hogan and Hartson) in Washington, D.C., where she litigated commercial, real estate, employment discrimination, and education matters before state and federal courts and administrative agencies. Judge Blackburne-Rigsby later joined the District of Columbia Office of the Corporation Counsel (now District of Columbia Office of the Attorney General), where she served as Special Counsel to the Corporation Counsel, working as part of the senior management team. She then served as Deputy Corporation Counsel in charge of the Family Services Division, where she managed the Division's 65 attorneys and support staff, handling child abuse and neglect, child support enforcement, and domestic violence cases.

Judge Blackburne-Rigsby has taught Trial Advocacy at the Harvard Law School and teaches Professional Responsibility as an Adjunct Professor at the David A. Clarke School of Law at the University of the District of Columbia. She has also taught Continuing Legal Education courses for the District of Columbia Bar. Judge Blackburne-Rigsby has held offices in several judicial organizations. She is a former Chair of the Washington Bar Association's Judicial Council. In addition to her work with the National Association of Women Judges, she also serves as Chair of the Board of Managerial Trustees for the International Association of Women Judges (IAWJ). In March of 2006, Judge Blackburne-Rigsby represented the IAWJ at a Judicial Conference in Turin, Italy, where she delivered a speech on Racial Equality in the Workplace at the Lavoro dei Migranti e Discriminazione Convegno. In 2003, she traveled to Johannesburg, South Africa to participate in a conference of the African Judicial Network. Through her work with these organizations, Judge Blackburne-Rigsby has sought to promote the rule of law and equal access to justice.

Judge Blackburne-Rigsby graduated from Duke University with a BA degree in Political Science, and received the Duke University Presidential Leadership Award. Following graduation from Duke University, she was selected to be one of twelve Public Affairs Fellows of the Coro Foundation in San Francisco, California. She earned her law degree from Howard University School of Law, graduating in the top five percent of her class. While in law school, she served as the Lead Articles Editor of the Howard Law Journal and served as the Co-Captain for the Charles Hamilton Houston Moot Court Team.

Attorney's offices. He served in policy and communications positions for the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture, National Performance Review, 1992 Clinton-Gore campaign and presidential transition team, Congressman Edward Feighan, and Progressive Policy Institute. He was Vice President of International Programs for the Santéch Institute, and served as an observer during the 1990 Pakistan national elections. He was an Adjunct Professor at the Georgetown University Law Center. He currently serves as President of the board of directors of the National Institute on Money in State Politics, as chair of the Committee on Fair and Impartial Courts of the American Bar Association's Section on Individual Rights & Responsibilities, and on the National Ad Hoc Advisory Committee on Judicial Campaign Conduct. He holds a JD and BA from the University of Virginia.



## JUSTIN P. BROOKS

Professor Justin Brooks is the Director of California Innocence Project, the Institute for Criminal Defense Advocacy, and California Western's LL.M. in Trial Advocacy Specializing in Federal Criminal Law. Prior to arriving in California, Professor Brooks practiced as a criminal defense attorney in Washington D.C., Michigan, and Illinois. Over the course of his career he has served as counsel on several high profile criminal cases and has been successful in exonerating wrongfully convicted clients. He has been recognized several times by the Los Angeles Daily Journal as one of the Top 100 Lawyers in California. In 2010, California Lawyer Magazine awarded him the prestigious "Lawyer of the Year" award. Professor Brooks began his teaching career as a Fellow at Georgetown Law Center in 1990. He continued to teach at Georgetown after his fellowship ended and served as Associate Director of Georgetown's Corrections Clinic. In 1993, he moved to Thomas M. Cooley Law School where he taught criminal law, criminal procedure, death penalty law, and law and literature. He directed the moot court program, coached the law school's first National Championship moot court team, and supervised a death penalty clinical program. In 1999, Professor Brooks moved to California and founded California Innocence Project at California Western School of Law with Professor Jan Stiglitz. Professor Brooks has been involved in training lawyers throughout his career. As Director of the Institute for Criminal Defense Advocacy, he has run an annual trial skills academy for new lawyers for more than a decade. As Director of the LL.M. in trial advocacy, he oversees a program dedicated to training lawyers for practice in federal court. He has also been very involved in training Latin American lawyers. He founded the only trial skills academy in the country conducted in Spanish and he travels around Latin America training attorneys, judges, and law enforcement agents on trial skills and criminal forensics. Professor Brooks received an LL.M. from Georgetown University and a JD from American University. His undergraduate degree, BBA in business law, was received from Temple University.



## BERT BRANDENBURG

Bert Brandenburg was the Justice Department's Director of Public Affairs and chief spokesperson under Attorney General Janet Reno, where he supervised media strategy and press relations for the Justice Department, the FBI, DEA, INS, and 93 U.S.

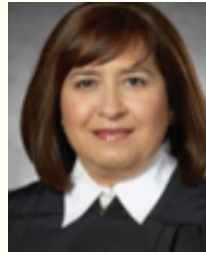




## JUDGE DESIRÉE A. BRUCE-LYLE

Since her appointment to the bench by Governor Gray Davis in 2001, the Honorable Desirée Bruce-Lyle's assignments have included a Criminal Trial Department, Drug Court, Juvenile Delinquency, Prop 36 (PC 1210) Court, Superior Court Appellate

Panel, and AB 109 Post Judgment Courts. More recently, Judge Bruce-Lyle's judicial leadership has been vital to managing San Diego's challenging AB 109 population. Presently, Judge Bruce-Lyle presides over courts she implemented, including: Reentry Court, Mandatory Supervision Court, Post-Release Community Supervision Revocations, and Parole Revocations. Judge Bruce-Lyle's pioneering efforts in collaborative courts and with the AB 109 population have earned her statewide attention. In addition to her judicial assignments, Judge Bruce-Lyle has traveled throughout California as a distinguished panelist for Judicial Council training sessions and California Judges Association conferences. In 2006, Judge Bruce-Lyle served as Special Master for the Commission on Judicial Performance. Prior to her appointment, Judge Bruce-Lyle served as a Workers' Compensation Administrative Law Judge from 1992-2001 and a Workers' Compensation Referee from 1991-1992. She worked as Deputy County Counsel from 1982-1991. Born in Ghana, Judge Bruce-Lyle earned her Bachelor of Laws degree from the University of Zambia, School of Law. She received her Master of Laws degree from the University of California at Berkeley Boalt Hall Law School.



## JUDGE YVONNE ESPERANZA CAMPOS

The Honorable Yvonne E. Campos was appointed to the Superior Court of the State of California by Governor Gray Davis and was sworn in on October 2, 2003. She currently serves on the Appellate Division of the Superior Court, reviewing limited civil

and criminal misdemeanor appeals. Prior to joining the bench, Judge Campos served as an Assistant U.S. Attorney (AUSA) in the Southern District of California from October 1995 to October 2003, serving as a Deputy Chief in the General Crimes Section. In 1994, Judge Campos was awarded a White House Fellowship by President Clinton and served on the staff of Attorney General Janet Reno at the U.S. Department of Justice in Washington, D. C. Prior to that, Judge Campos was an attorney in private practice specializing in real estate transactions, land use and environmental law in the California law offices of Morrison & Foerster (Los Angeles) and Brobeck, Phleger & Harrison (San Diego). Immediately upon graduation from law school, Judge Campos served as a Senate Fellow with the California State Senate (Sen. Gary K. Hart) in Sacramento. While in college, she was an LBJ Congressional Intern for the U. S. House of Representatives (Rep. Martin Frost) in Washington, D.C. A graduate of Harvard Law School (J.D. 1988) and Stanford University (A.B. 1985 With Distinction), Judge Campos is a member of the California Judges Association (CJA), California Latino Judges Association (CLJA), the American Bar Association (ABA), California Women Lawyers (CWL), the San Diego County Bar Association (SDCBA), amongst others. She is admitted to the California State Bar, the U.S. Supreme Court Bar, and is admitted to and has practiced before the U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit, and the U.S. District Court in the Central and Southern Districts of California.



## ELIZABETH CAMARENA

Elizabeth Camarena is the Associate Director at Casa Cornelia Law Center (CCLC) in San Diego, California. CCLC is a non-profit law firm which provides quality pro bono legal services to approximately 1000 victims of human and civil rights violations each a year. Ms. Camarena supervises legal

programs which include an Asylum Program, Domestic Violence/Victims of Serious Crimes Program, Children's Program, Pro Bono Program and a new Human Trafficking Program. Throughout her association with CCLC she provides direct representation to clients as well as supervises trains and mentors attorneys in each area of CCLC's practices. Before joining CCLC, Ms. Camarena worked in the private sector providing counsel and representation on family and employment based visas. Prior to private practice, she worked at the U.S. Department of Justice, Asylum Office in San Francisco, California. As an Asylum Officer, she adjudicated asylum applications from applicants from all over the world. Ms. Camarena is a graduate of the University of California, Hastings College of Law and completed her undergraduate studies at Fresno State University graduating with a BA in Liberal Studies, and a teaching credential. She is active in her community supporting civil rights and educational organization and institutions.

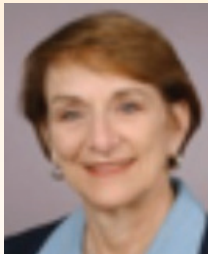


## CHIEF JUSTICE TANI CANTIL-SAKAUYE

The Honorable Tani Gorre Cantil-Sakauye is the 28th Chief Justice of the State of California. She was sworn into office on January 3, 2011, and is the first Asian-Filipina American and the second woman to serve as California's Chief Justice. Chief Justice

Cantil-Sakauye chairs the Judicial Council of California, the administrative policymaking body of state courts, and the Commission on Judicial Appointments. She has served for more than 20 years on California appellate and trial courts, and has been appointed or elevated to higher office by three governors. In 1990, Governor George Deukmejian appointed her to the Sacramento Municipal Court; and in 1997 Governor Pete Wilson elevated her to the Superior Court of Sacramento County. On the Superior Court, she presided over both criminal and civil assignments. In 1997, she established and presided over the first court in Sacramento dedicated solely to domestic violence issues. In addition, then Judge Cantil-Sakauye chaired the court's criminal

law committee and was a member of the presiding judge's Task Force on Domestic Violence and the Home Court committee. In 2005, Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger nominated her to the Court of Appeal, Third Appellate District. Chief Justice Ronald M. George appointed her to the Judicial Council of California in September 2008. The Chief Justice was a Special Master, selected by the Supreme Court of California to hear disciplinary proceedings before the Commission on Judicial Performance. She was President of the Anthony M. Kennedy American Inn of Court, an organization dedicated to promoting civility, ethics and professionalism in the practice of law. She has also been a member of the Conference of Chief Justices Board of Directors. Born in 1959 in Sacramento, Chief Justice Cantil-Sakauye attended C. K. McClatchy High School (1977) and Sacramento City College (1978) before receiving her BA from the University of California (UC), Davis, graduating with honors in 1980. After taking a year off to visit her ancestral homeland, the Philippines, she entered the UC Davis' Martin Luther King, Jr. School of Law in 1981. After receiving her JD in 1984, she worked as a Deputy District Attorney for the Sacramento County District Attorney's Office, where she prosecuted a variety of criminal offenses. From 1988 to 1990, she served on the senior staff of Governor Deukmejian in two capacities: first as Deputy Legal Affairs Secretary and later as a Deputy Legislative Secretary.



### JUDGE JUDITH CHIRLIN (RETIRED)

The Honorable Judith C. Chirlin is the Executive Director of the Western Justice Center and a part-time neutral with Judicate West. She was appointed Judge to the Los Angeles Superior Court in 1985, and retired September 30, 2009. She is a graduate of The George Washington University (BA, Political Science), Rutgers University (MA, Politics, Eagleton Institute of Politics) and the University of Southern California Law School (JD). She was the first woman to serve in the Judicial Fellows Program (now known as "Supreme Court Fellows Program") where she worked on the staff of the Administrative Assistant to Chief Justice Warren Burger on projects to improve the administration of justice. In November of 2011, when she joined the Western Justice Center (WJC) in Pasadena, California she began designing and promulgating programs to foster alternative dispute resolution in the courts, and peaceful resolution of conflicts in schools and communities. WJC has recently created the Institute for Safe & Inclusive Schools which offers a number of innovative programs to address bias, bullying and the myriad of other problems facing our schools today. She devotes part of her time to private dispute resolution; she started a non-profit foundation to support justice system improvement projects that enhance the rule of law. Judge Chirlin has served on numerous state and national committees and boards. She is a past Chair of the Board of the American Judicature Society. She has held numerous positions in the Women Lawyers Association of Los Angeles, California Women Lawyers, NAWJ, and the International Association of Women Judges. She also served as Vice Chair of

the California Gender Bias Task Force and as a member of a Blue Ribbon Panel Investigating the Problems of Women in Prison, both by virtue of appointment by the Chief Justice of California. She is a member of the Board of the American Bar Association's Center for Rule of Law Initiatives ("ROLI"). She continues in her work in the international arena; amongst many activities she is a member of the International Advisory Board of the CEELI Institute in Prague, the Czech Republic. In 2011, working with the U.S. Secretary of State's Office of Global Women's Issues, Judge Chirlin helped develop and then facilitated a two-week program in Washington, D.C. for Iraqi women activists. The purpose of the program was to assist the group in developing programs to combat gender based violence in Iraq and to educate American policy makers on the conditions for women in Iraq. She recently worked with the Secretary's Office of Global Women's Issues helping to develop a program for high level Iraqi officials from all branches of government, designed to address the particular issues of widows and orphans in Iraq. That program, which Judge Chirlin facilitated, was held in Washington, D.C. in June 2013. Participants included the Chief Justice of Iraq, a Member of Parliament, a Ministry Official and the leaders of two major civil society organizations that work on problems of widows and orphans in Iraq.



### HENRY C. COKER

Since 1989, Henry Coker has served in the County of San Diego's Office of the Public Defender. Currently its Public Defender, Mr. Coker has also been Deputy Public Defender for Delinquency and Central Felony, Chief Trial Deputy for Child Advocacy, and Chief Deputy for Branch Offices. As a member of the Public Safety Group's Leadership Team, he contributes to county-wide policies related to crime awareness and prevention. Before joining the County's Public Defender's Office, Mr. Coker was a Personnel Analyst in the human resource departments of the University of San Diego. He began his career as a secondary school teacher in North Carolina. Mr. Coker was admitted to the State Bar of California in 1986. He is a graduate of North Carolina A&T State University (BA, English Literature, 1976), University of North Carolina at Greensboro (MA, Education Administration, 1978), and Thomas Jefferson University College of Law (JD, 1985).



### LARRY CONWAY

Larry A. Conway, CPA, JD, is attorney and founder of the Conway Law Group, a firm advising clients in the fields of tax, probate, estate planning, and business law with special emphasis on issues facing same-sex couples and tax issues concerning offshore accounts. He started the firm in 2004. From 1997 to 2003, his professional work focused on advising clients

on taxes and managing tax departments in accounting firms Maginnis Knechtel & McIntyre, McGladrey & Pullen, and his own firm Conway Accounting Corporation. Mr. Conway received his BBA from the University of Iowa in 1976 and his JD (magna cum laude) in 2003 from California Western School of Law. He practiced as a CPA for almost 25 years before becoming an attorney, and brings a significant understanding of business and finance to his practice as an attorney. In addition to his practice, Mr. Conway is a well-known author and lecturer. He has written well over 1,000 pages dealing with tax issues, spoken in 45 states to professional groups, and has worked as an Adjunct Professor at California Western School of Law. He is a frequent speaker at local events.



## TERRANCE COONAN

Professor Terrance Coonan is the founding Executive Director of the Florida State University (FSU) Center for the Advancement of Human Rights, where he teaches law, criminology, and film courses at FSU. He served as the lead researcher on the 2010 Florida Strategic Plan on Human Trafficking commissioned by the Florida Legislature and Governor's Office, and was an appointee of the Governor on The Florida Statewide Task Force to Combat Human Trafficking. He previously co-directed the 2004 research project Florida Responds to Human Trafficking. Professor Coonan has trained law enforcement agencies and service providers nationwide on the Trafficking Victim Protection Act, and was one of the designers of the Justice Department training curriculum on human trafficking. He has led trainings on human trafficking for the U.S. Justice Department, the National Judicial College, the Florida Sheriff's Association, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, the Florida Office of the Attorney General, the Florida Prosecuting Attorneys Association, the Florida Department of Children and Families, the Florida Department of Health, and overseas for the U.S. State Department. Professor Coonan was invited to the White House in 2012 to advise President Barack Obama's administration on trafficking policy issues. Since 2004, Professor Coonan has assisted Florida legislators in drafting Florida's statutes on human trafficking. As a practicing attorney, he currently represents labor and sex trafficking victims throughout Florida. He has served as faculty for the National Judicial College since 2011.



## JUDGE PATRICIA COWETT (RETIRED)

The Honorable Patricia Cowett retired from the San Diego Superior Court in 2008 after serving as a Judge for 29 years. In addition to the San Diego Superior Court, she has served the Municipal Court and the Court of Appeal. Prior to joining the

bench, Judge Cowett was Deputy City Attorney (Criminal Division) in the San Diego City Attorney's office; Deputy Attorney in the State of California's Department of Transportation; and attorney (in house counsel) for San Diego Gas and Electric. She is a Past President of Lawyers Club of San Diego and Pan Asian Lawyers of San Diego. She was a District Governor for California Women Lawyers. Judge Cowett now works as a mediator/arbitrator. She was an undergraduate at the University of California, Berkeley (BA, 1969) and law school graduate of the University of California, Davis (JD, 1972).



## JUDGE CINDY D. DAVIS

The Honorable Cindy Davis is a Judge on the Superior Court of California, County of San Diego. She is currently assigned to a family law department in the central division of the superior court. Prior to her appointment, Judge Davis served as a Commissioner of the Superior Court. Prior to joining the bench she prosecuted consumer fraud cases as the Head Deputy City Attorney of the Consumer and Environmental Protection Unit at the San Diego City Attorney's office. She was also in private practice with Luce, Forward, Hamilton and Scripps, LLP in the areas of real estate and business litigation. She served as a Judicial Clerk, to the Hon. William B. Enright, U.S. District Court, Southern District of California after graduating with honors from the University of San Diego School of Law in 1993. During her years of practice she was also very involved in the local legal community. She served as President of Lawyers Club of San Diego, Vice President and Treasurer of the San Diego County Bar Association, President of the San Diego Bar Foundation and on the Board of Directors of the San Diego Volunteer Lawyer Program. She remains active with the bar serving on the Advisory Board to Lawyers Club of San Diego. Finally, and maybe most importantly, she is also a championship sandcastle builder and carver.



## JUDGE PETER C. DEDDEH

The Honorable Peter C. Deddeh was appointed to the San Diego County Superior Court in June, 1998 by Governor Pete Wilson. He was the East County branch Supervising Judge of the El Cajon Superior Court (2007-2011), Presiding Judge of the Appellate Panel (2007), Criminal Presiding Judge for San Diego Superior Court (2001-2005) and for Vista Superior Court (1998-2000). In addition to Judge Deddeh's work in Criminal, he presided over Homeless Court sessions at St. Vincent De Paul Village and the Vietnam Veterans of San Diego Homeless Shelter. Before joining the Superior Court bench, he was Deputy District Attorney (1993-1998) prosecuting felony and misdemeanor

crimes committed from National City south to the Mexican border, felony and misdemeanor crimes committed by juveniles in San Diego County, and street gang members for violent felony offenses. From 1987 to 1997, he tried 15 gang murder jury trials, including the killer of Lincoln High School honor student Willie Jones (1997), and the fourteen year old killers of pizza deliveryman Tariq Khamisa (1995). Judge Deddeh served on the California Judges Association Board of Directors (2007-2010). He is a graduate of the University of California, Santa Barbara (BA, History/Political Science, 1978), and University of San Diego School of Law (JD, 1982).



## JUDGE ANA ESPAÑA

The Honorable Ana España is a Judge for the San Diego County Superior Court. Prior to her appointment to the bench in 2008, Judge España represented children in dependency proceedings for over 25 years. She was very active on a state and local level to improve the lives of foster youth and is a certified child welfare law specialist. Among other activities, Judge España was a member of the Board of Directors for the National Association of Counsel for Children and the California CASA Association, as well as a member of the California Judicial Council's Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee. Judge España is a current member of the California Judicial Council's Access and Fairness Advisory Committee, where she chairs the subcommittee on Persons with Disabilities. She is also a member of the California Judges Association, the California Latino Judges Association, and several local court committees. Judge España has presided over juvenile and criminal cases, and is currently the supervising judge for the South County Division of her court.



## JUSTICE FERNANDE R.V. DUFFLY

The Honorable Fernande R.V. Duffly, Associate Justice, was born in Indonesia on December 10, 1949. She received her BA from the University of Connecticut in 1973, and her JD from Harvard Law School in 1978.

Justice Duffly began her legal career in 1978 as an attorney in the litigation department of the Boston law firm then known as Warner and Stackpole. Justice Duffly served on the Probate and Family Court from 1992-2000; the Massachusetts Appeals Court from 2000 to 2011; and was appointed as an Associate Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court on February 1, 2011 by Governor Deval Patrick.

As an attorney, she provided pro bono legal services to indigent clients through the Volunteer Lawyers Project. She has served on the Boston Bar Association's committees on pro se litigation and attorney volunteerism; the Probate and Family Court's committee on pro se access to the courts; the ABA subcommittee on representation of children; and the Supreme Judicial Court's Standing Committee on substance abuse. An NAWJ member since 1996, she was Past President in 2007-08. A member of the American Bar Association, she has been appointed as a Commissioner serving on the ABA's Commission on the Status of Women in the Profession. Justice Duffly has written articles and taught seminars on various topics, including appellate decision-making, family law, trusts, parental rights. A frequent speaker, she often speaks on topics related to ensuring access to justice and increasing diversity in the courts. Justice Duffly has received the Distinguished Service Award from the Probate Judge's Association; the Distinguished Jurist Award from the Massachusetts Association of Women Lawyers; and the Trailblazer Award from the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association. She has also been recognized as a Diversity Hero by Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly and was named a 2008 Woman of Justice, an award co-sponsored by Lawyers Weekly, the Women's Bar Association and Massachusetts Association of Women Lawyers. In 2011, the ABA Business Law Section through its subcommittee Women Business Advocates presented Justice Duffly with its annual award honoring a Women Judge who has contributed to the advancement of Women in the legal profession.



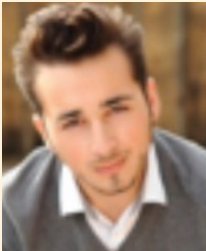
## PLES W. FELIX, JR.

Ples W. Felix, Jr. grew up in Louisiana, later moving to Southeast Los Angeles. After high school he joined the Army Special Forces for two 12-month tours in Vietnam. His first job after graduate school was with Operation Open City in New York City where he helped residents organize themselves to protect their buildings and livelihood from the blight of drugs and violence. Mr. Felix Ples then moved to Arizona, where he plied his problem solving skills at an alcoholism treatment facility. Six years later, Mr. Felix returned to San Diego to work for the City of San Diego Community and Economic Development Department. Mr. Felix met Azim Khamisa for the first time in 1995. Nine months earlier, Mr. Felix's grandson, Tony Hicks, murdered Azim's son, Tariq, over a pizza in a gang-inspired shooting. Mr. Felix wanted to express his condolences to the Khamisa family. He later learned that Azim Khamisa wanted to meet with him. Together, Mr. Felix and Mr. Khamisa launched the Tariq Khamisa Foundation (TKF) and channeled their pain into positive action. Since November 1995, they have delivered their message about the realities of violence, forgiveness, gangs and the importance of making positive choices to over one million students. Mr. Felix is a graduate of San Diego State University (BA, Political Science), and New School for Social Research (MA, Urban Affairs, 1977).



## JUDGE SUSAN P. FINLAY (RETIRED)

The Honorable Susan P. Finlay retired as a Judge from the San Diego Superior Court. She is Education Committee Co-Chair of NAWJ's 2014 Annual Conference, and a lifetime member of the organization since 1980. She currently mediates family disputes with the National Conflict Resolution Center and West Coast Resolution Group. She is the former Dean of the California Judicial College and former Education Director for the National Association of Drug Court Professionals.



## FRANKIE GARCÉS

Frankie Garcés is a former student of the New School for Drama and has been in numerous theatrical, cinematic, and musical productions. Some of his credits include playing the lead role in the New School's "An Enemy of the People," written by Henrik Ibsen and adapted by Arthur Miller; supporting in California State University, Los Angeles "Arcadia;" and starring in short film "The Punchline" written and directed by Skyller Millicano. Mr. Garcés enjoys many aspects of the artistic world and would like to use his acting skills to influence social, economic, and class struggles.



## JUDGE PATRICIA GARCIA

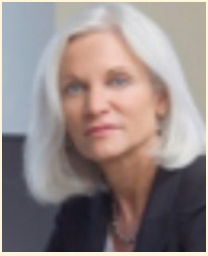
The Honorable Patricia Garcia has served as a judicial officer since February 18, 2000, first as a Superior Court Commissioner hearing family support matters, and since July 23, 2003, as a Superior Court Judge first sitting in a general family law assignment, and currently in a criminal law assignment. Before her appointment, Judge Garcia was a lawyer in private practice for over ten years. She was head of the Family Law Department at Seltzer Caplan McMahon Vitek, concentrating in high profile and complex divorces, prenuptial agreements, and custody and support modifications. It was during this tenure that Judge Garcia earned Martindale Hubbell's AV lawyer rating. Prior to that, Judge Garcia was a family law associate at Mitchell, Keeney, Barry & Pike. She also served as a Superior Court Judge Pro Tem from 1997, and as a San Diego County Fee Arbitrator from 1994, until her selection as a Commissioner. Over the years, Judge Garcia has participated in many civic and bar activities and has been a member of several organizations and boards. These include: Kids' Turn, San Diego MANA, the National Conference for Community and Justice, the Lawyers Club of San Diego, the San Diego La Raza Lawyers Association, Latinas in the Law, the California Women Lawyers, National Association of Women

Judges, California Judges Association, and San Diego County Judges Association of which she is Past President. Judge Garcia also has been a panel member and speaker on various subjects including: child support, paternity, cross-border family law issues, domestic violence, attorney's fees and costs, professional conduct and ethics, work-life balance, and career development. Before earning her law degree from the University of San Diego in 1989, Judge Garcia completed her undergraduate work in psychology at University of California San Diego (1982), spending a year at the Universidad Complutense de Madrid in Spain. She also obtained a teaching credential from San Diego State University (1984) and taught for four years.



## CASEY GWINN, JD

Casey Gwinn, JD serves as the President of the National Family Justice Center Alliance. Mr. Gwinn has been recognized by The American Lawyer magazine as one of the top 45 public lawyers in America. He served as the elected City Attorney of San Diego from 1996 to 2004. Prior to entering elected office, Mr. Gwinn founded the City Attorney's Child Abuse and Domestic Violence Unit, leading the Unit from 1986 to 1996 that prosecuted both misdemeanor and felony cases. In 1993, the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges recognized his Child Abuse/Domestic Violence Unit as the model domestic violence prosecution unit in the nation. In 1986, Mr. Gwinn founded the San Diego Task Force on Domestic Violence. In 1991, he founded the San Diego Domestic Violence Council. In 2002, in partnership with former San Diego Police Chief David Bejarano and current Chief Bill Lansdowne, Mr. Gwinn led the effort to open the nationally acclaimed San Diego Family Justice Center. The Family Justice Center opened its doors in downtown San Diego on October 10, 2002. Mr. Gwinn has served on the U.S. Attorney General's National Advisory Committee on Violence Against Women and the American Bar Association Commission on Domestic Violence. He recently chaired the California Attorney General's Task Force on Domestic Violence. He also served on the congressionally created Department of Defense task force, studying the handling of family violence throughout the Department of Defense. His first book entitled "Hope for Hurting Families" calls for the creation of Family Justice Centers across America to help hurting and violent families. His second book, co-authored with Gael Strack, was released in April 2007, "Hope for Hurting Families II: How to Start a Family Justice Center in Your Community." Recently, Ms. Strack and Mr. Gwinn authored a third on-line book, published in Arabic, focused on developing co-located service centers in the Middle East. Mr. Gwinn currently oversees a national technical assistance team that supports all existing and developing Family Justice Centers in the United States and around the world, speaks in communities across America, and provides leadership to the YWCA of San Diego County. Mr. Gwinn is an honors graduate of Stanford University and University of California Los Angeles School of Law.



## MELINDA HAAG

Melinda Haag is the United States Attorney for the Northern District of California. She was nominated by President Barack Obama and unanimously confirmed by the Senate in August 2010. As U.S. Attorney, Ms. Haag oversees the investigation and litigation of all criminal and civil cases brought

and defended on behalf of the United States in the Northern District of California, which encompasses San Francisco, Alameda, Santa Clara, San Mateo, Marin, Contra Costa, Napa, Sonoma, Mendocino, Lake, Humboldt, Del Norte, Santa Cruz, San Benito, and Monterey counties. She supervises an office of more than 115 Assistant U.S. Attorneys, who handle a high volume of cases that include white collar crime, gang violence and organized crime, narcotics and firearms trafficking, public integrity and civil rights violations, human trafficking and child exploitation, computer intrusions and intellectual property theft, environmental violations, and export enforcement and national security matters. Ms. Haag serves as Co-Chair of the White Collar Crime Subcommittee of the Attorney General's Advisory Committee. She is an experienced trial lawyer with 26 years of prosecutorial and private sector experience. She has personally handled securities fraud, mail and wire fraud, bank fraud, antitrust, Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, environmental, civil rights, defense contractor fraud, health care fraud, money laundering, narcotics trafficking, and child exploitation cases. Ms. Haag has served as lead or co-lead counsel in more than 19 jury and bench trials, including a number of complex white collar and civil rights cases. Prior to her appointment, Ms. Haag spent seven years as a partner with the law firm of Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe, LLP, where she specialized in litigation and trial work. Before that time, Ms. Haag had nine years of experience as an Assistant United States Attorney in the Central District of California and the Northern District of California. She was also a litigation associate at Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher, LLP and a partner at Landels, Ripley & Diamond, LLP. Ms. Haag is a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers and has been included on many lists of top lawyers. She received her JD in 1987 from the University of California, Berkeley School of Law, and her BA in Political Science in 1983 from the University of California, San Diego.

Appointments Secretaries and chairs of the California State Bar's Judicial Nominees Evaluation Commission. She served as the chair of the Courts Working Group of the State Bar's Diversity Pipeline Task Force and led the effort to convene the first statewide judicial diversity summit in 2006. That historic summit, sponsored by the State Bar and the California Judicial Council, brought together key stakeholders from the bench, the governor's office, the bar, the legislature, law firms, law schools and other stakeholders to discuss the status of judicial diversity. With no formal demographic information available, she worked with the African American, Asian/Pacific Islander, and Latino judges' associations to create an informal tally of the ethnic and gender makeup of the bench and presented a sobering report on the lack of diversity in the courts. With the increased awareness of the need for greater judicial diversity, the legislature passed a bill after the summit which, among other things, required annual public reports from the Governor's Office, the Judicial Council, and the State Bar on the gender and race/ethnicity of judicial applicants, appointees, and sitting judges. That legislation has been amended over the years to require annual demographic reports on sexual orientation and other diversity. Following the summit, the State Bar created its Council on Access & Fairness ("COAF") and appointed Judge Harbin-Forte as its founding Chair. Under her leadership, the COAF set its vision, mission, strategies and goals to identify and implement initiatives to address diversity challenges along the pipeline to the legal profession. In 2011, again under Judge Harbin-Forte's leadership, the State Bar/COAF and the Judicial Council convened another statewide judicial diversity summit to assess the success of efforts to increase judicial diversity. The next judicial diversity summit is scheduled for 2016. Her leadership positions in California's judiciary include appointment to the California Judicial Council, where she served a term as Chair of the Council's Rules and Projects ("RUPRO") Committee. She was the first African American woman to serve as Dean of the B.E. Witkin Judicial College (California's mandatory judicial education program), and Chair of the New Judge Education Committee. She currently serves as a consultant on various bench books and benchguides for California's judges, and has planned and taught numerous judicial education courses in California and at the National Judicial College in Reno, Nevada. She received her Bachelor's degree from University of California (UC), Berkeley in 1976, and her law degree from UC Berkeley's Boalt Hall School of Law in 1979. She was admitted to the California Bar in 1979.



## JUDGE BRENDA HARBIN-FORTE

The Honorable Brenda Harbin-Forte was appointed to the Alameda County (Oakland) Municipal Court in 1992, and became an Alameda County Superior Court Judge in 1998. Before her judicial appointment, she was a partner at Thelen, Marrin,

Johnson & Bridges in Oakland and San Francisco. Judge Brenda F. Harbin-Forte has been at the forefront of efforts to improve diversity in the judiciary. She has presented seminars on the judicial appointments process with various Governors' Judicial



## VICTORIA B. HENLEY

Victoria Henley has been the Director and Chief Counsel of the California Commission on Judicial Performance since 1991. She graduated from the University of Pennsylvania cum laude in 1975 and from the University of San Francisco School of Law with honors in 1978. Prior to her service for the commission, she was a partner with the law firm of Long & Levit in San Francisco. Since 1985, she has lectured and served as a panelist for numerous judicial and legal education programs in the United States. She has made presentations

for the commission, she was a partner with the law firm of Long & Levit in San Francisco. Since 1985, she has lectured and served as a panelist for numerous judicial and legal education programs in the United States. She has made presentations

to visiting judges and dignitaries from more than 50 countries and worked on programs related to judicial accountability and discipline in Hungary, Tanzania, Macedonia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Philippines, Ukraine and Georgia. She is a member of the Association of Judicial Disciplinary Counsel, an emeritus member of the Association's Board of Directors and served as its President from 2003 to 2007. She also serves on the American Judicature Society's Center for Judicial Ethics Advisory Committee.



## MARYBETH HERALD

Marybeth Herald is Professor of Law at the Thomas Jefferson University School of Law (TJSL) in San Diego. After a clerkship with the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, Professor Marybeth Herald worked as a staff attorney at Micronesian Legal Services Corporation in the Mariana Islands in the western Pacific. She then began a private law firm in the Mariana Islands, engaging in a general law practice for six years with an emphasis in trial and appellate work. She served as counsel to several public agencies and corporations. She joined the TJSL faculty in 1991 and served as Associate Dean from 1994 to 2002. Professor Herald latest work is *Your Brain and Law School* (forthcoming 2014), which translates the latest research on the brain into practical advice for students in law school. She has also published numerous articles exploring constitutional issues relating to the First Amendment, gender, the intersection of law and psychology, and the legal and political status of U.S. territories. Her most recent articles discuss cognitive biases implicit in judicial decisions about gender. Professor Herald was recognized by her peers as one of San Diego's Top Attorneys in Academics for 2006, 2008, 2009, 2011-13.



## ROBERTO HERNÁNDEZ

Roberto Hernández is a Mexican lawyer, Emmy winning documentary filmmaker, and policy analyst. Mr. Hernández gained notoriety when he was nominated for three Emmy awards and won an Emmy for Outstanding Investigative Journalism for his documentary film "Presunto Culpable."

The film premiered at the Toronto International Film festival in 2010, and holds the box office record for documentary film in Mexico. According to the Mexican survey company Paramétrica, "Presunto Culpable" has been seen by 36 percent of all adult Mexicans. In addition to his career in film, Mr. Hernández is also a social scientist. He trained as a lawyer at the Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México (ITAM) in Mexico City and at McGill University in Montreal, Canada where he obtained a Master's Degree in Comparative Law. He was Associate Law Professor at Centro de Investigación y Docencia (CIDE) in Mexico City

before he began his PhD studies in Public Policy at the University of California, Berkeley where he is an ABD PhD candidate. He has taught courses "The First 48 Hours: Early Decisions in Mexico's Criminal Justice System" with Charles Weisselberg at Berkeley, and "Jurisdictions and Procedures" at the Centro de Investigación y Docencia Económicas (CIDE) in Mexico City. He has published articles on the Mexican judicial system in the CIDE's Working Papers series, in the Mexican newspaper "Reforma," in Berkeley's Review of Latin American Studies, in Nexos magazine and Este País magazine. Mr. Hernandez is also a consultant on reforms to Mexico's criminal justice system. He was one of the experts who helped the Justice Commission in the Mexican Senate shape Mexico's new National Code for Criminal Procedures. He has also collaborated with the "Red Nacional de los Juicios Orales" (Mexican Network for Oral Trials), and is currently involved in the elaboration of a national police law.



## ANITA F. HILL

Anita F. Hill is Senior Advisor to the Provost, and Professor of Social Policy, Law, and Women's Gender and Sexuality Studies at Brandeis University. She teaches courses on gender, race, social policy and legal history. Along with Provost Steve A. N. Goldstein, Professor Hill is responsible for implementing "Fulfilling the Promise: The Brandeis University Strategic Plan." As counsel to Cohen Milstein, she advises on class action workplace discrimination cases. Professor Hill's latest book is "Reimagining Equality: Stories of Gender, Race and Finding Home" combines the study of commercial and anti-discrimination law with an examination of culture and society to address the 2008 foreclosure crisis and its ongoing impact. She graduated law school from Yale University (JD), and received her undergraduate from Oklahoma State University (BS).



## JUDGE TAMILA EBRAHIMI IPEMA

The Honorable Tamila E. Ipema is the Co-Chair for the NAWJ's 36th Annual Conference in San Diego. Judge Ipema has been an active member of NAWJ and currently serves on the Board of Directors as District 14 Director (California and Nevada). Judge Ipema organized the first NAWJ Color of Justice and Mentor Jet programs in San Diego in 2011. She now chairs these events annually. Judge Ipema is active in the California State Coordinating Committee of NAWJ's Informed Voters/Fair Judges Project whose goal is to advance judicial independence and civics education.

In 2011, Chief Justice of the California Supreme Court, Honorable Tani Cantil-Sakauye, appointed Judge Ipema to the California Judicial Counsel's Access and Fairness Advisory Committee.

She has served as a member of the Racial and Ethnic Fairness, ADA, and Collaborative Courts Advisory subcommittees. Furthermore, Judge Ipema is currently working with the Administrative Offices of the Courts, Collaborative Courts, and the State Justice Institute in a pilot program aimed to combat human trafficking in San Diego.

Judge Ipema has a BA in English, MA in Humanities and English, and a JD. She also has a LL.M. in International and Comparative Law from Georgetown University. Prior to her litigation role as Assistant District Counsel with the U.S. Department of Justice in immigration matters, Judge Ipema worked as an immigration defense attorney. She has served as a judicial research attorney, a supervising attorney for the Los Angeles Superior Court, and as a California Superior Court Commissioner in Los Angeles and San Diego from 2005 to 2009. In 2009, Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger appointed her to the position of the Judge of the San Diego Superior Court, where she has presided over family law matters, criminal trials, and currently presides over a civil calendar.

Judge Ipema has extensive teaching experience in family law, judicial conduct and demeanor, fairness, and implicit bias, and as a seminar leader at B.E. Witkin Judicial College, New Judge Orientation, and Judicial Research Attorney Institute. In 2014, Judge Ipema participated in a comparative law panel on "Children's Rights" at the IAWJ 12th Biennial Conference in Arusha, Tanzania

with respect to the immigration consequences of a client's conviction and/or plea deal. Ms. Jacobs is admitted to the Bar of the State of New York. She is fluent in Spanish. Ms. Jacobs frequently gives presentations and workshops in the community and for professional organizations on various topics in immigration and nationality law in both English and Spanish.



## LISALYN R. JACOBS

Lisalyn R. Jacobs joined Legal Momentum as Vice President for Government Relations in March of 2003. She began her legal career at the National Partnership for Women and Families under the auspices of Georgetown's Women's Law & Public Policy Fellowship. Following three years in private practice, she joined the Office of Policy Development of the U.S. Justice Department in 1995, and worked on a number of issues including implementation of the Violence Against Women Act, the welfare reform law, judicial nominations, and affirmative action. She also served as Chief of Staff of the Civil Rights Division, as well as Special Counsel to the Director of the Violence Against Women Office.



## GINGER E. JACOBS

Ginger E. Jacobs received her JD degree (cum laude) from Harvard Law School in 1998 and her BA degree (magna cum laude) from Duke University in 1995. She is a member of Phi Beta Kappa. After law school, Ms. Jacobs moved to New York City and worked as a litigator at the New York

firm of Cahill Gordon & Reindel and the international law firm of Covington & Burling. She gained valuable experience advocating on behalf of her individual and corporate clients in state and federal courts, as well as before the Securities and Exchange Commission and the New York State Commission on Lobbying. In 2001, Ms. Jacobs received a pro bono recognition award from Covington & Burling for her successful representation of a detained asylum seeker. Inspired by her asylum case, Ms. Jacobs decided to change her focus from commercial litigation and white-collar criminal defense to immigration law. She moved to San Diego, California, and practiced with a well-regarded sole practitioner for two years before co-founding the firm (formerly known as Guerrero Jacobs & Schlesinger LLP) with her former law partner and immigration advocate, Andrea Guerrero. Ms. Jacobs focuses her practice on employment and family based immigration cases, as well as asylum, Violence Against Women Act cases, removal cases in Immigration Court, and consular processing through U.S. embassies and consulates abroad. Further, Ms. Jacobs is an expert on the crossover between immigration and criminal law and frequently advises criminal attorneys



## INDIA JEWELL

India Jewell is a Law Director at Sony Electronics Inc. where she is responsible for Digital Imaging and Personal Audio product categories, Post Sales Service and Support, Trademarks, Environmental, Marketing, Advertising, Communications and Social Media. Formerly at The General Electric Company as Commercial Law Counsel, Ms. Jewell was responsible for global advertising for the Appliances division, privacy and the contract-builder sales channels. Ms. Jewell graduated from the University Of Cincinnati College Of Law where she clerked at the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit for the Honorable Nathaniel Jones. She is licensed to practice law in California, Indiana and Kentucky. Ms. Jewell is Co-Chair of the National Association of Women Judges Friends' Committee. She also serves on the Lawyers Club and Association of Corporate Counsel Joint Task Force on Women in the Law. She is very active with the Earl B. Gilliam Bar Association where she focuses on mentoring local women and minority law students.



## JUDGE VALLERA JOHNSON

The Honorable Vallera Johnson has been an administrative law judge with the Office of Administrative Hearings for 24 years. She is active in the San Diego County le-



gal community and is the CEO/President of Women of Color in Law. Administrative Law Judge Johnson is the mother of five children, and grandmother to six.



## KAREN G. JOHNSON-MCKEWAN

Karen Johnson-McKewan, an Intellectual Property partner in the San Francisco office, is a trial lawyer who concentrates her practice on complex intellectual property and commercial litigation for technology and consumer products companies. Ms.

Johnson-McKewan has first-chaired several trials and has significant experience litigating and trying particularly intricate cases where simplifying complex technology issues is invaluable. Her engagements have involved matters in technology, Internet, financial, e-commerce, retail, software and gaming industries in a diverse set of courts and multiple arbitral bodies. Ms. Johnson-McKewan's clients include leading technology and Fortune 500 companies, and she has represented, among others, Oracle, VMware, EMC, NVIDIA Corporation, Flextronics, Logitech, RockYou, Safeway and Levi Strauss & Co. For three years (2005-2008), Ms. Johnson-McKewan served as Orrick's San Francisco Office Leader. She received her JD from the University of California, Davis School of Law (1985) and her BA from the University of California, Davis (1981). She currently serves as Co-Chair of the Resource Board of the National Association of Women Judges, and its California State Coordinating Committee for the Informed Voters/Fair Judges Project.



## JUDGE KERI G. KATZ

The Honorable Keri G. Katz was appointed by Governor Brown in February 2014, after serving as a Superior Court Commissioner for seven years. Prior to her appointment as a Commissioner, she was with the San Diego City Attorney's office for over 20 years.

In the City attorney's office, she served in many capacities, including Assistant City Attorney in charge of the civil division and chief legal advisor to the Mayor. Judge Katz teaches law school at California Western School of Law.



## AZIM NOORDI KHAMISA

Azim Noordin Khamisa is an author, activist and inspirational speaker. He was born in Kenya, Africa. Earlier in life he focused his training in mathematics, economics and international finance, eventually becoming an international investment banker, pursu-

ing his trade for over 35 years in Africa, Middle East, Europe and Asia. Currently, he is Chairman, CEO and Founder of the Tariq Khamisa Foundation (TKF) and Founder and National Director of the Constant And Never Ending Improvement (CANEI) program.

Mr. Khamisa became a social activist after his 20-year-old son Tariq was murdered while delivering pizzas in January 1995 by Tony Hicks, a 14-year-old gang member and son of grandson of Ples Felix. Mr. Khamisa believed there were "victims at both ends of the gun." He forgave Tony Hicks and founded the Tariq Khamisa Foundation to help break the cycle of youth violence, save lives, teach peace and plant seeds of hope in their future. A month after establishing the foundation, Mr. Khamisa invited Ples Felix, Tony's grandfather and guardian, to join him. Together, since November 1995, the two have shared their story and message through TKF's Violence Impact Forums. The duo has reached a half a million elementary and middle school children live and over 20 million via video programs, guiding young people to choose a peacemaker's life of non-violence and forgiveness. Azim Khamisa authored several books following the death his son and his experiences and worldview thereafter. The first was Azim's Bardo - From Murder To Forgiveness - A Father's Journey. In 2007, he followed up this book with From Forgiveness to Fulfillment, sharing his continued evolution and the unfolding story that is his path, his passion and his life. In 2009, Random House published his The Secrets of the Bulletproof Spirit: How to Bounce Back from Life's Hardest Hits, coauthored with Jillian Quinn.



## JUDGE CAROL A. KING

Since 1995, the Honorable Carol A. King has served in the U.S. Department of Justice's Executive Office for Immigration Review, presiding over and rendering decisions in Immigration Court hearings to determine the status of aliens in removal proceedings under the immigration laws

of the United States, amongst other duties. Her attorney experience began in 1985 working in the field of labor and immigration law. Eventually, she joined the Law Offices of Marc Van Der Hout, representing clients before the legacy Immigration and Naturalization Service and the Immigration Courts and assisting in litigation. In 1992, she became a Sole Practitioner advising immigrants, non-immigrants, and aliens, as well as their family and/or business sponsors, in making all types of administrative applications before the legacy Immigration and Naturalization Service. Judge King has taught at the Golden Gate School of Law, developing curriculum and teaching aids, lecturing, designing and grading examinations and evaluating student performance for comprehensive course in Immigration and Nationality Law. She guest lectures at the University of California at Berkeley School of Law, preparing and teaching various courses on numerous Immigration Law topics, amongst other professional organizations. She is admitted to the State Bar of California. She is a graduate of University of California, Santa Cruz (BA, Community Studies, 1978) and Golden Gate University School of Law (JD, 1984).



## PRESIDING JUDGE SUZANNE KINGSBURY

The Honorable Suzanne Kingsbury was elected the Presiding Judge of the El Dorado County Superior Court in 1999, an assignment that will continue until at least December of 2014. She sits in Department Three of the Court, which is located in South Lake Tahoe, presiding over civil, criminal, juvenile, family, appellate and probate matters. She is the first woman to serve in the position of Superior Court Judge in the county's history, as well as being its first female Presiding Judge. Judge Kingsbury has been instrumental in the creation and expansion of innovative programs in El Dorado County. Through her efforts, a variety of services have been made available to self-represented litigants to provide them with information they need to successfully navigate the court system. She was part of the team that obtained approval for the funding and construction of the El Dorado County Juvenile Hall in South Lake Tahoe. She expanded the civil alternative dispute resolution program to include full services in South Lake Tahoe, which provides litigants with a 'no cost' means to resolve their cases without going to trial. Judge Kingsbury also initiated a family law dispute resolution program, which allows families going through a marital dissolution the ability to settle their cases in an amicable fashion. Through collaboration with other justice system partners, Judge Kingsbury also brought El Dorado County its first juvenile and adult drug courts, mental health court and dependency mediation and drug courts. In June of 2004, Chief Justice Ronald M. George appointed Judge Kingsbury to a three year term on the Judicial Council, the policy making body of California's state court system. She is the first judge from El Dorado County to serve in that capacity. In 2011, Chief Justice Tani Cantil-Sakauye appointed Judge Kingsbury to serve as a member of the Strategic Evaluation Committee. Judge Kingsbury is also actively involved in judicial education, serving as a frequent faculty member and facilitator, particularly in the area of judicial administration.



## LINDA LEALI

Linda Leali regularly represents debtors, unsecured creditors committees, strategic and financial investors in a wide variety of industries and market sectors, and has experience in mergers and acquisitions—having represented a number of sellers both in and out of court in transactions involving a wide range of industries. Ms. Leali also has extensive experience in negotiating complex commercial agreements for both domestic and international transactions. Prior to forming Linda Leali, P.A., Ms. Leali was in the Miami office of White & Case LLP from 2000 to 2012 where she was a member of the firm's Global Financial Restructuring and Insolvency Practice Group. Ms. Leali's representations include WCI Communities, Inc., a leading developer of new homes and towers with approximately \$2 billion in debt, in its chapter 11 cases and Recticel SA/NV, a glob-

al manufacturer of a wide range of foams and synthetic compounds, as debtor-in-possession financing lender to its wholly owned Chapter 11 debtor subsidiaries. Ms. Leali was also the lead restructuring associate in the representation of Appaloosa Management L.P., one of the largest shareholders of Delphi Corporation, in its successful bid to obtain relief directing the formation of an official equity committee in the case. Further, she was a key member of the counsel team in the successful Chapter 11 reorganization of Mirant Corporation - involving more than US \$10 billion in debt and considered the largest bankruptcy filing in the U.S. in 2003 and at the time the 10th largest bankruptcy filing in US history. Ms. Leali also represented Lund International, Inc., a manufacturer of aftermarket auto parts, in its out-of-court sale of its assets. Ms. Leali was part of the White & Case team that received the "Restructuring Team of the Year" award from International Financial Law Review in 2006. She graduated law school from the University of Miami (J.D, magna cum laude, 1999), and received her undergraduate degree from the University of Central Florida (B.S., Business Administration, 1996). She is Co-Chair of NAWJ's Florida State Coordinating Committee of the Informed Voters/Fair Judges Project, and in 2012 Co-Chair of NAWJ's Annual Conference Friends Committee in Miami.



## JUDGE ELIZABETH K. LEE

Judge Elizabeth Lee was appointed to the Superior Court bench of San Mateo County in July of 2005. She is the first Asian Pacific American judge to serve on the bench in San Mateo County. In addition to her current assignment as a Juvenile Court Judge where she handles delinquency and dependency matters, Judge Lee presides over matters in the Youth Court of East Palo Alto and is the head of San Mateo County's Blue Ribbon Commission on Foster Care. Judge Lee remains involved in promoting a greater awareness of human trafficking particularly with respect to children who have been sexually and commercially exploited, working with other stakeholders in the court system to improve services to these minor victims. She is also a member of the California Judicial Council's Advisory Committee on Collaborative Justice Courts. She is currently Chair of the Human Trafficking subcommittee for the National Association of Women Judges (NAWJ). Prior to joining the bench, Judge Lee worked as an Assistant U.S. Attorney for the Attorney's Office in the Northern District of California, working on a number of criminal investigations involving human trafficking. She served as the Deputy Chief of the Organized Crime Strike Force from 1999 to 2005. Judge Lee also worked as an Associate for the law firm of Marron, Reid & Sheehy in San Francisco. She was Assistant U.S. Attorney for the Attorney's Office in the District of Columbia, and a Trial Attorney in the Honors Program for the U.S. Department of Justice, Antitrust Division, in Washington, D.C. Judge Lee earned her JD from Columbia University School of Law in 1983, and a BA in Economics from the University of California, Berkeley in 1979.



## CHIEF JUDGE PATRICIA LENZI

The Honorable Patricia Lenzi is an enrolled member of the St. Regis Mohawk Tribe, and serves as an Appellate Justice for the St. Regis Mohawk Appeals Court and the Fallon Paiute Shoshone Court of Appeals. Judge Lenzi is the Chief Judge of the Cedar-

ville Rancheria Tribal Court and a Deputy Judge for the Colorado River Indians Tribal Court. As an attorney, she has tried over 100 cases to jury verdict. Judge Lenzi joined the National Tribal Judicial Center in 2012. She has been a licensed attorney since 1992. She has successfully represented tribes in tribal, state and federal civil litigation, administrative matters, and appeals. In the area of federal Indian law, Judge Lenzi has drafted ordinances and resolutions; criminal law; juvenile delinquency; social services and dependency law; energy law; employment law; cultural and historic preservation; economic development; gaming law; governmental negotiations; contracts; alternative dispute resolution; business & commercial law; construction defects; government agencies & programs, real estate law; state, local & municipal law; administrative law; tribal government; tribal sovereignty and self-determination; gaming compact negotiation, and taxation. She has worked with implementation of VAWA; IGRA; ICWA; ICRA; SORNA; and TLOA in Indian Country. Her private practice included family law, criminal defense, bankruptcy and civil litigation, where she offered pro-bono representation to Native Americans. Prior to her appointment to the judiciary, Judge Lenzi served as a Deputy District Attorney with the Sacramento, Yolo, and Alpine County (California) District Attorney's Offices, and as the Tribal Prosecutor for the Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California and the Duckwater Shoshone Tribe. Her criminal law practice includes experience in domestic violence; child abuse and child sexual abuse; homicide; gang prosecution; threat assessment and threat management; stalking; robbery; arson; identity theft and fraud. She served on Yolo County's Advisory Committee on Tribal Matters. Judge Lenzi is a member of the California Bar and is admitted to practice in all of the federal district courts of California, the U.S. District Court for the District of Colorado, and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, and in each of the tribal courts where she presides, the Duckwater Shoshone Tribal Court and the Washoe Tribal Court. She holds a BA in Criminal Justice from the University of Texas at San Antonio, and a JD from the University of California, Berkeley School of Law.



## ROBERTA D. LIEBENBERG

Roberta D. Liebenberg is a partner at Fine, Kaplan and Black in Philadelphia, where she focuses her practice on class actions, antitrust and complex commercial litigation, and white collar criminal defense. The National Law Journal named Ms. Liebenberg

as one of its "50 Most Influential Women Lawyers in America."

Ms. Liebenberg has held leadership roles in numerous organizations focused on the advancement of women in the legal profession. She now serves as Chair of the ABA Commission on Women in the Profession. She previously served as Chair of the Commission from 2008-2011, and was Chair of the ABA's Gender Equity Task Force from August 2012 to August 2013. She was Chair of the Pennsylvania Bar Association's Commission on Women in the Profession, and Co-Chair of the Philadelphia Bar Association's Women in the Profession Committee. Ms. Liebenberg is a co-founder and now the Chair of DirectWomen, a national organization whose mission is to identify and prepare qualified women attorneys to serve on corporate boards. She was appointed by the Pennsylvania Supreme Court as Co-Chair of the Pennsylvania Interbranch Commission for Gender, Racial and Ethnic Fairness. She is one of just two Americans who serve on the Chambers Women in Law Advisory Board. In addition, she is a Visionary Delegate and Vice Chair of Vision 2020, a national organization based in Philadelphia that is dedicated to achieving gender equality by the 100th anniversary of the 19th Amendment in 2020. Ms. Liebenberg is a Leader in Residence at the Center for Women in the Law at the University of Texas School of Law. She is also a member of the Board of the National Association of Women Lawyers Foundation. In November 2012, she received the Florence K. Murray Award from the National Association of Women Judges for opening doors and advanced opportunities for women attorneys. Ms. Liebenberg is also the recipient of the 2008 Sandra Day O'Connor Award by the Philadelphia Bar Association. This Award is conferred annually on a woman attorney who has demonstrated superior legal talent, achieved significant legal accomplishments, and has furthered the advancement of women in both the profession and the community. In April, 2003, she was named as the first recipient of the Lynette Norton Award by the Pennsylvania Bar Association's Commission on Women in the Profession. That Award was given to her in recognition of her outstanding litigation skills and mentoring.



## JUDGE WENDY S. LINDLEY

The Honorable Wendy S. Lindley has been a judicial officer in the State of California since 1994, appointed to Orange County Municipal Court by Governor Pete Wilson on January 5th of 1994. Later, she succeeded upon majority vote of judges in the

county to convert Municipal Courts to Superior Courts, effective August 10, 1998, thereby becoming a Superior Court Judge. Currently, Judge Lindley presides over the Adult Drug Court, Criminal Mental Health Court, DUI Court, Combat Veterans Court and the Homeless Outreach Court, all of which she played a crucial role in establishing. She has created and presided over many of the Orange County Collaborative Courts, which feature a multi-agency approach to sentencing and rehabilitation of non-violent offenders. Her experiences with both substance abusers and the mentally ill have sensitized her to the need for early intervention, and the importance of providing supportive

services. She recognized that a failure to divert the mentally ill or addicted population from the criminal justice system contributes to an escalation in the level of crimes committed by mentally ill individuals and addicts, and creates barriers to re-entering society. Her Combat Veterans Court addresses issues of Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD), Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI), substance abuse and Military Sexual Trauma (MST) in an attempt to restore the veteran to the person they were prior to their life changing combat experience. Judge Lindley was instrumental in the creation of the Community Court Building located in Santa Ana, California. The Community Court houses all of the Collaborative Court programs over which she presides. Located in the Community Court are numerous service providers, including Vocational Rehabilitation, Social Services Agency, Health Care agency, Veterans Administration, and Legal Aid. Services are provided for anyone in the community who needs them. Offices are located on-site in order to provide immediate access for participants and to facilitate staff collaboration. Judge Lindley has served on many committees and lectured extensively on therapeutic justice. She has lectured and conducted training for the National Association of Drug Court Professionals. Her Veterans Court is currently a Mentor Court which provides training for professionals from all over the United States. She graduated from the University of Southern California (BS, 1972) and Pepperdine Law School (JD, 1978).



## JUDGE SHARON MAJORS-LEWIS

The Honorable Sharon B. Majors-Lewis was admitted to the Bar in California on December 13, 1985, and before the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of California on December 29, 1987. She served as a San Diego County Deputy District Attorney from February 1987 until January 2005, when she was promoted to Chief Deputy District Attorney in the office. From February 2007 until December 2010, Majors-Lewis served as Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger's Judicial Appointments Secretary, the only woman and person of color to ever hold the position in California. She has been a Superior Court Judge since December 20, 2010. She presides over a general criminal trial department.



## JERRILYN T. MALANA

Jerrilyn Malana is an Employment Law Attorney and Shareholder with Littler Mendelson, P.C. She has represented Fortune 500 clients and local businesses in all types of employment-related litigation involving claims of discrimination, harassment, wrongful termination, and wage and hour violations. Ms. Malana also provides counseling and training to employers to avoid employment-related claims. She is a dynamic public speaker and an effective and engaging trainer on employment law and diversity-related topics. In 2009, Ms. Malana served as President of the San Diego County Bar Association, which is the region's oldest and largest law-related organization. She is the President of the University of California San Diego (UCSD) Alumni Association. She also serves on the Board of the National Family Justice Center Alliance. Ms. Malana has served on several other Boards, and has held leadership positions with multiple organizations. She has been recognized on the list of The Best Lawyers in America, and by Super Lawyers and the San Diego Daily Transcript. Over the course of her career, Ms. Malana has consistently exhibited outstanding leadership, professional achievement, and unwavering commitment to the community. She devotes a significant portion of her volunteer time on community and civic matters, and mentoring students and young professionals to help them to succeed. Ms. Malana has been recognized by several organizations for her work in the community including being named a Trailblazer by the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association. She is Co-Chair of NAWJ's 2014 Annual Conference Friends Committee.



## JUDGE ROBERT C. LONGSTRETH

The Honorable Robert C. Longstreth is a Judge of the Superior Court of the State of California, County of San Diego, appointed by Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger in July 2008 and elected in 2010. He currently hears long-cause family law matters, as well as civil, criminal and probate cases. He graduated from Haverford College in 1978 and Yale Law School in 1981. For nearly 20 years he was an associate, counsel, and partner at DLA Piper in San Diego, formerly known as Gray Cary, where he specialized in environmental and insurance law. He previously served as a law clerk for the Hon. Herbert Stern of the U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey, a Trial Attorney for the U.S. Department of Justice, an associate with Wilmer, Cutler & Pickering (now WilmerHale) and an Associate Independent Counsel with the Office of Independent Counsel Iran/Contra. He is co-author of Handling Federal Tort Claims, and has written numerous articles and commentaries on bringing tort actions against the United States. His wife Veronica Platt Longstreth is a former U.S. Justice Department attorney and San Diego Deputy County Counsel, and now counsels students on college admissions. Their son Daniel is a 2014 graduate of Ohio State, where he majored in International Relations, and their daughter Adeline is in her first year at Georgia Tech, where she is studying Mechanical Engineering and Computer Science.



## JUDGE MARGARET A. MANGAN

The Honorable Margaret A. Mangan has served as an Administrative Law Judge with the District of Columbia Office of Administrative Hearings since 2007. Before moving to Washington, D.C., Judge Mangan worked for 10 years as Vermont's Workers'

Compensation Hearing Officer. She began her legal career as a Judicial Law Clerk in the Vermont trial courts, later becoming an associate with a litigation firm. Judge Mangan practiced and taught professional nursing in several states before entering law school. She earned a JD magna cum laude from Vermont Law School, a MS from Boston University, and a BS in Nursing from Carlow University. When she is not working, Judge Mangan tutors inner-city students and runs around the city with her running group.



## JUDGE DANA LEIGH MARKS

The Honorable Dana Leigh Marks has been an Immigration Judge in San Francisco since January of 1987. She is currently serving her sixth, two-year term as President of the National Association of Immigration Judges, the recognized collective bargain-

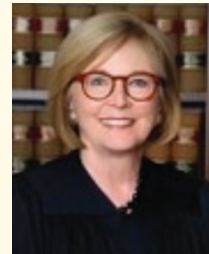
ing unit for the approximately 250 member corps of immigration judges nationwide. In that capacity, she has published numerous articles and testified before Congress regarding the need to restructure our nation's immigration courts in order to safeguard judicial independence. She has also published articles discussing the job related burnout and secondary traumatic stress suffered by immigration judges working in the current system. Judge Marks taught Immigration Law for over a decade, and has lectured extensively on immigration law to judges and attorneys at seminars sponsored by continuing legal education groups, both locally and nationally throughout her career. While in private practice, Judge Marks served as lead counsel and successful orally argued the landmark asylum case of *INS v. Cardoza-Fonseca*, 480 U.S. 421 (1987), which established that persons applying for asylum need only prove a reasonable possibility of future persecution instead of the higher standard of clear probability advocated by the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS).



## JOHN A. MARTIN

John A. Martin, Ph.D., is the Director of the State Justice Institute supported national Human Trafficking and the State Courts Collaborative and the Immigration and the State Court Initiative for the Center For Public Policy Studies. He is recognized as an innovator in planning, management,

performance measurement, and institutional development for courts, justice, and human service organizations. For over 40 years, he has consulted with courts, justice, and human service agencies of all types. Dr. Martin has conducted grant-funded research, provided technical assistance, and trained extensively. His efforts have focused on numerous topics including court and justice innovation and systems change, agency and inter-agency planning and management, organizational culture and change management, work process improvement, simplified litigation, alternative dispute resolution, technology applications, cross-cultural interaction, the impacts of immigration in the courts, Latino family violence, performance measurement, executive-legislative-judicial relations and human trafficking. His writings about these topics have appeared in over 200 publications including books, monographs, book chapters and articles. Dr. Martin is also on the Senior Faculty of the Institute For Court Management. He holds a Ph.D. from the School of Public Affairs of the University of Colorado.



## ADMINISTRATIVE PRESIDING JUSTICE JUDITH D. MCCONNELL

The Honorable Judith McConnell was appointed to the Court of Appeal, Fourth Appellate District, Division One in August 2001, and took office upon her confirmation October 3, 2001. On September

25, 2003, she was confirmed as Presiding Justice of the Court. On September 29, 2003, she was appointed by the Chief Justice as Administrative Presiding Justice of the Fourth Appellate District. She served for 23 years as a Trial Judge in San Diego (21 years on the Superior Court and 2 years on the Municipal Court). Her colleagues on the Superior Court twice elected her Presiding Judge. She also served as Presiding Judge of the Juvenile Court and Supervising Judge of the family, appellate, and civil law and motion departments during her tenure on the Superior Court. Justice McConnell served two terms on the California Judicial Council, the rule making body for the state courts, and chaired the council's Superior Court and Planning committees. She was a member of the Blue Ribbon Task Force on Jury System improvement, the Commission on the Future of the Courts, and the Advisory Committee on Gender Bias in the Courts. In 2005, she was elected by the Supreme Court to serve on the Commission on Judicial Performance, an independent state agency responsible for judicial discipline, and served as chair from 2009 to 2012. In 2007, the Chief Justice appointed her to the Commission for Impartial Courts where she served as chair of the Public Information and Education Task Force. She currently co-chairs the Task Force on Civic Learning and chairs the Power of Democracy steering committee which works for the improvement of civic education. She served on the governing board for the California Center for Judicial Education and Research. In 2001, Justice McConnell was named Jurist of the Year by the California Judicial Council. In 1999, she was the first recipient of the Benjamin Aranda Access to Justice Award presented jointly by the California Judicial Council, the California

Judges Association and the State Bar of California. She has also received the California Women Lawyers Joan Dempsey Klein Award and the National Association of Women Judges Honoree of the Year Award. Justice McConnell received a J.D. degree in 1969 from the University of California, Boalt Hall School of Law and a B.A. degree in 1966 from the University of California, Berkeley, where she was awarded Phi Beta Kappa. Justice McConnell began her legal career in San Diego in 1969 and the State of California, Department of Transportation. She served as a trial attorney in the Department's Legal Division until 1976, when she entered private practice.



## JUDGE M. MARGARET MCKEOWN

The Honorable M. Margaret McKeown was appointed to the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit by President Clinton and was confirmed by the Senate in 1998. She attended the University of Madrid and graduated Phi Beta Kappa

from the University of Wyoming with a BA in 1972 and from Georgetown University Law Center with a JD in 1975. She received an honorary doctorate from Georgetown University in 2005. Judge McKeown was a White House Fellow in 1980-1981, serving as Special Assistant to the Secretary of the Interior and Special Assistant at the White House. In 1993, she served as a Japan Society Leadership Fellow. Judge McKeown is President of the Federal Judges Association, on the board of the ABA Rule of Law Initiative, and Chair of the ABA Latin America and Caribbean Council. She serves on the Judicial Advisory Board for the American Society of International Law, the managerial board of the International Association of Women Judges, and the Council of the American Law Institute. She is vice-chair of the Georgetown Law Board of Visitors and Jurist-in-Residence at the University of San Diego Law School. Judge McKeown has lectured and taught extensively on ethics, judicial administration, international law, litigation, constitutional law, and intellectual property in Latin America, Asia, and Europe. She is co-author of "Trial Tactics in Trade Secret Litigation," Intellectual Property Counseling and Litigation (Matthew Bender), "The Promises of a New World Information Order," The Knowledge Economy (Aspen Institute), and "The Lost Sanctuary: Examining Sex Trafficking Through the Lens of Ah Sou" (Cornell Journal of International Law). She is also an author of Business and Commercial Litigation in Federal Courts (West Group).



## ELAINE METLIN

Elaine Metlin is a partner in Dickstein Shapiro LLP's Antitrust & Financial Services and White Collar Criminal Defense & Investigations Practices. She focuses her civil practice on complex antitrust litigation involving international cartels, class actions,

international law, broker misconduct, and complex commercial litigation. She also handles white collar criminal defense, conducts internal investigations, and defends individuals and businesses that have been investigated by the executive branch, Congress, and other agencies and regulatory bodies. Ms. Metlin is a member of the American Bar Association (ABA) Section on Antitrust and the ABA Section of International Law, where she currently serves as Immediate Past Co-Chair of the International Litigation Committee. That committee won the Section of International Law's 2012 Outstanding Newsletter Award. In 2010, she was elected to the board of the Washington Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights and Urban Affairs, where she now serves as a trustee. She currently serves as Co-Chair of the Resource Board of the National Association of Women Judges. She is a member of the Edward Bennett Williams Inn of Court, the Lawyers' Club of Washington, the D.C. Women's Bar Association, and the National Association of Women Lawyers. In 2006, Ms. Metlin was named the Washington, D.C. head of Dickstein Shapiro's Women's Leadership Initiative. She also is a founding member of the D.C. Chapter of WLMA (the Women's Leadership and Mentoring Alliance), a nonprofit whose mission is to cultivate networking, mentoring, and career development opportunities for women, while encouraging seasoned women professionals to build alliances with younger women professionals as the younger women develop their networking and leadership skills. Ms. Metlin was also a former member of the Executive Committee, a former Co-Chair of the Professional Development Committee, a member of the Compensation Advisory Committee, a former chair of the Hiring Committee, and a former member of the Attorney Professional Evaluation Committee. Ms. Metlin clerked for Judge Susan Black, now on the Eleventh Circuit, and other judges in the U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Florida from 1983 to 1984, when she joined Dickstein Shapiro. She graduated from the University of Pittsburgh, (BA, 1972) magna cum laude, and the University of Virginia School of Law (JD, 1983).



## MELISSA MORGAN

Melissa Morgan is Director of Partnerships for the Orange County Human Relations Council, working to build communities that are free of violence and discrimination. She is an artist, graphic designer, diversity educator, volunteer, ally, youth advocate, mom and peacemaker. Ms. Morgan

has spent much of the past decade working to eliminate bias in schools, communities, minds and hearts. She graduated cum laude with Interdisciplinary Honors and received a Bachelor of Arts from the University of North Florida in 2000 where she majored in Graphic Design and minored in Spanish. Following graduation, Ms. Morgan spent months travelling, studying, and serving abroad in Merida, Venezuela as a Rotary Cultural Ambassadorial Scholar. There, she developed programs that engaged local volunteers with children with special needs, as well as senior citizens. She later lived in Washington, D.C. and worked for a national nonprofit that renovates children's school libraries and education spaces in areas of poverty.



## ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE KATHLEEN MULLIGAN

The Honorable Kathleen Mulligan is an Administrative Judge with the Los Angeles District Office of the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC), where she is responsible for resolving civil rights cases brought by federal employees against agencies of the federal government. Her jurisdiction extends from the Republic of Korea to Las Vegas. From 1989-1999, Judge Mulligan was special counsel to, and then an equity partner in, the firm of Gardner, Carton and Douglas (now merged with Drinker, Biddle), one of the ten largest firms in Chicago. Prior to that, she had been a trial attorney and supervisory trial attorney for the EEOC's Chicago District Office. Judge Mulligan has been elected by her peers from all sides of the practice of employment law practice (union, individual and management) as a fellow of the College of Labor and Employment Lawyers based on demonstrating the "highest level of character, integrity, professional expertise and leadership; sustained, exceptionally high-quality services to clients, bar, bench and public;...and significant evidence of scholarship and published writings on Labor and Employment Law." Judge Mulligan has served on the Executive Committee of the American Bar Association (ABA) Judicial Division, National Conference of the Administrative Law Judiciary (NCALJ) since 2010. She was President of the EEOC Administrative Judges Association 2010-2012, and Chair of the Administrative Judges Committee of the National Association of Women Judges. Judge Mulligan has also served as a faculty member for trial advocacy courses for the Chicago Bar Association and the ABA's National Institute on Sexual Harassment, and for many continuing legal education programs, including the ABA seminar Ask the Experts: An Explanation of the ADAAA Regulations One Year Later (2013). She has authored many publications, including the first chapter on "Violence in the Workplace" in *Employment Termination: Rights and Remedies* (BNA, 2002) and "Faster and Fairer: Federal Employment Discrimination Administrative Hearings at EEOC" (*Los Angeles Lawyer Magazine*, May, 2012). Judge Mulligan graduated with honors from the University of Wisconsin (Madison) Law School.



## JANET NAPOLITANO

Janet Napolitano was named the 20th President of the University of California on July 18, 2013, and took office on September 30, 2013. She leads a university system with 10 campuses, five medical centers, three affiliated national laboratories, and a statewide agriculture and natural resources program.

Ms. Napolitano is a distinguished public servant with a record of leading large, complex organizations at the federal and state levels. She served as Secretary of Homeland Security from 2009-13, as Governor of Arizona from 2003-09, as Attorney General of Arizona from 1998-2003, and as U.S. Attorney for the District of Arizona from 1993-97. Before that, she practiced at the law

firm of Lewis & Roca in Phoenix, where she became a partner in 1989. She began her career in 1983 as a clerk for Judge Mary M. Schroeder of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. As Governor of Arizona, Ms. Napolitano focused on education, from pre-kindergarten through public higher education. She was the first woman to chair the National Governors Association, and was named one of the nation's top five governors by Time magazine. Ms. Napolitano earned a BS degree (summa cum laude in Political Science) in 1979 from Santa Clara University, where she was Phi Beta Kappa, a Truman Scholar and the university's first female valedictorian. She received her law degree in 1983 from the University of Virginia School of Law. In 2010, she was awarded the prestigious Thomas Jefferson Foundation Medal (Law), the University of Virginia's highest external honor.



## LAYDA NEGRETE

Layda Negrete is a lawyer with more than 10 years of experience conducting research on the criminal justice system across Mexico, her country of birth. Her research has been funded by the Hewlett Foundation, the United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights and the

World Bank. She has designed and conducted surveys for inmates in the states of the Federal District (DF), Mexico, Morelos and Oaxaca and has helped design and administer victimization surveys in Mexico City. Ms. Negrete is currently a graduate student in public policy at the University of California, Berkeley.



## CHARLES J. OGLETREE, JR.

Charles J. Ogletree, Jr. is Jesse Climenko Professor of Law at Harvard Law School, and Director of its Charles Hamilton Houston Institute for Race & Justice. He is a prominent legal theorist who has taken a hard look at complex issues of law, and

worked to secure the rights guaranteed by the Constitution for everyone equally under the law. Professor Ogletree opened the offices of The Charles Hamilton Houston Institute for Race and Justice in September 2005 as a tribute to the legendary civil rights lawyer and mentor and teacher of such great civil rights lawyers as Thurgood Marshall and Oliver Hill. The Institute has engaged in a wide range of important educational, legal, and policy issues over the past six years. Professor Ogletree is the author of several important books on race and justice. His most recent publication is a book co-edited with Professor Austin Sarat of Amherst College entitled "Life without Parole: America's New Death Penalty?" (NYU Press, 2012). Other publications include "The Presumption of Guilt: The Arrest of Henry Louis Gates, Jr." and "Race, Class, and Crime in America" (Palgrave Macmillan, 2010). In November 2009, NYU Press published Professor Ogletree's book, co-edited with Professor Austin Sarat, "The Road

to Abolition: The Future of Capital Punishment in the United States.” Also edited with Austin Sarat, “When Law Fails: Making Sense of Miscarriages of Justice” and “From Lynch Mobs to the Killing State: Race and the Death Penalty in America” were published by NYU Press in January of 2009 and May of 2006 respectively. His historical memoir, “All Deliberate Speed: Reflections on the First Half-Century of *Brown v. Board of Education*,” was published by W.W. Norton & Company in April 2004. Professor Ogletree also co-authored “Beyond the Rodney King Story: An Investigation of Police Conduct in Minority Communities” (Northeastern University Press 1995). Professor Ogletree is a native of Merced, California, where he attended public schools. Professor Ogletree earned an MA and BA (with distinction) in Political Science from Stanford University, where he was Phi Beta Kappa. He also holds a JD from Harvard Law School.

Afghanistan, Iraq and Sudan. She also served as an international advisor for the Libya Stabilization Team in Benghazi in 2011. Ms. Omar lived in Baghdad from 2003 to 2005 and set up operations in Iraq. She launched her career as a journalist in the Middle East in 1996. UNESCO recruited her to work on one of her first lead assignments in Iraq in 1997-1998. Ms. Omar also spent more than three years with the World Bank’s development economics group. She holds a MA in Arab studies from Georgetown University and a BA in international relations from George Mason University.



## ROSALIND OLIVER

Rosalind Oliver is the Supervising Attorney for Kids in Need of Defense (KIND) Los Angeles office. KIND finds pro bono attorneys in law firms and corporations who agree to represent KIND’s unaccompanied children clients in their immigration proceedings. KIND attorneys in each

office provide training on representing unaccompanied children in the U.S. immigration system and comprehensive mentorship until the case is completed. Before joining KIND, Ms. Oliver worked with Fragomen, Del Rey, Bernsen & Loewy in Los Angeles supervising the non-immigrant visa team for PricewaterhouseCoopers LLC, as well as providing counsel on all major employment-based temporary and permanent visa categories to a variety of companies. Prior to her tenure at Fragomen, she worked representing families and individuals in removal proceedings and asylum interviews, as well as family-based and employment-based permanent residence applications. During law school, Ms. Oliver clerked for the Honorable Bruce J. Einhorn, U.S. Immigration Judge and founder of Pepperdine Law School’s Asylum and Refugee Clinic. She has also served as a Guest Lecturer in Immigration Law at Southwestern University School of Law, her alma mater. Ms. Oliver completed her undergraduate studies at Westmont College in Santa Barbara, California with a BA in Latin American Studies.



## KIMBERLY PAPILLON

Kimberly Papillon is an expert on medical, legal and judicial decision-making. She has served as regular faculty at the National Judicial College since 2005. She has delivered over 100 lectures nationally and internationally on the implications of neuroscience, psychology and implicit association

in the analysis of decision-making in the fields of business, medicine, education and the law. She has lectured to medical students and faculty, as well as private physicians nationwide and in Australia on the neuroscience of decision-making in differential diagnosis and treatment. She has been appointed to the Georgetown University National Center for Cultural Competence’s “think tank” for physician education. She has provided presentations to the judges of the High Court of New Zealand, National Council of Chief Judges of the State Courts of Appeal, the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of California, the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges, and numerous other national judicial organizations. She has delivered lectures to the U.S. Department of Justice, the U.S. Department of Education and the judiciaries of Vermont, Washington, Ohio, Nebraska, Texas, Idaho, Arkansas, Indiana, Tennessee, New Jersey, Arizona and New Mexico. She regularly lectures to attorneys in private firms and corporations as well as district attorneys and public defenders. She lectures to state and local bar associations nationwide including the California State Bar and Michigan State Bar Associations. She has been appointed to the National Center for State Courts, National Training Team on Implicit Bias a “think tank” for national judicial education. She has produced documentaries on neuroscience and judicial decision-making which have received national recognition. She is a member of the Cognitive Neuroscience Society. Her most recent academic article on neuroscience and decision-making was published in *Court Review*, the peer-reviewed journal of the American Judges Association. Ms. Papillon is an attorney who previously served as California’s Statewide Fairness Education Project Manager and Senior Education Specialist for the California Judicial Council’s Administrative Office of the Courts. Prior to that she worked as an attorney in large law firms representing Fortune 500 Companies, government entities and tech start-ups. Kimberly has a BA degree from University of California, Berkeley and a JD degree from Columbia University School of Law.



## MANAL OMAR

Manal Omar is Acting Vice President of the Center for Middle East and Africa at the United States Institute of Peace. Previously, she was regional program manager for the Middle East for Oxfam Great Britain, where she responded to humanitarian crises in Palestine and Lebanon. Ms. Omar

has extensive experience in the Middle East. She worked with Women for Women International as regional coordinator for





## JENNIFER C. PIZER

Jennifer C. Pizer is Law and Policy Project Director for Lambda Legal, the oldest and largest national legal organization committed to achieving full recognition of the civil rights of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) people and people living with HIV. She was co-counsel in the litigation that won marriage equality for same-sex couples in California in 2008, and then protected the marriages 18,000 lesbian and gay couples celebrated in California before passage of Proposition 8. Ms. Pizer also handled cases to advance domestic partner protections and the rights of lesbian and gay parents, and to end sexual orientation discrimination in employment, education, health care and housing. She was lead counsel in litigation against Hawai'i Governor Linda Lingle to win civil unions protections for same-sex couples there, despite that state's constitutional amendment denying marriage. She was co-counsel for 10 Arizona state workers suing Governor Jan Brewer to retain health coverage for their same-sex life partners. She also represented Karen Golinski against the U.S. Office of Personnel Management, seeking compliance with multiple decisions by Ninth Circuit Chief Judge Kozinski that excluding Golinski's wife from her family health insurance plan is unlawful discrimination. Ms. Pizer also advises policymakers on protecting same-sex couples and their families. She co-drafted AB 205, California's broad Domestic Partner Rights and Responsibilities Act of 2003, and later bills to clarify and expand the rights of registered domestic partners in California, and has assisted lawmakers in many other states and nationally with similar issues. Ms. Pizer is a 1987 graduate of New York University School of Law and a 1982 honors graduate of Harvard College.



## JUSTICE THERESA M. POULEY

The Honorable Theresa M. Pouley is the Associate Justice of the Colville Court of Appeals, Chief Judge of the Tulalip Tribal Court, and former Chief Judge of the Lummi Tribal Court. As a Judge of the Northwest Intertribal Court System, she serves as a Trial Judge and Appellate Court Justice for several other Northwest tribes. Judge Pouley was appointed to the Indian Law & Order Commission by President Obama in 2011. She formerly served as the President of the Northwest Tribal Court Judges Association and formerly served on the Board of Directors for the National American Indian Court Judges Association. She has worked and lectured with the Washington State Office of Administrator of Court's in the area of Domestic Violence and Indian Law for the last several years. She was a presenter to the U.S. Supreme Court Justices Sandra Day O'Connor and Stephen G. Breyer on "Indigenous Justice Paradigms." She provided testimony to the U.S. Senate Committee on Indian Affairs

on "Challenges in Law Enforcement in Indian Country" in 2000, "Oversight Hearings on Tribal Courts" in 2007, and "Tribal Law and Order Act," one year later in 2011. She was awarded the National Tribal Child Support's Award for Outstanding Judge in 2005. Tulalip Tribal Court was awarded the Harvard Honoring Nations Award in 2006 for its focus on its therapeutic and indigenous approaches to criminal law. Judge Pouley graduated from Wayne State University Law School in 1987, was admitted to the Michigan Bar and Washington Bar. She has been an attorney for over 20 years and in her practice had a variety of roles including private practice in Michigan and Washington. She is a member of the Colville Confederated Tribes in eastern Washington.



## JUSTICE PEGGY A. QUINCE

The Honorable Peggy A. Quince serves on the Florida Supreme Court. She was born in Norfolk, Virginia, in 1948. She graduated in 1970 from Howard University with a BS Degree in Zoology; she received her JD Degree from the Catholic University of

America in 1975. Justice Peggy Quince practiced general civil law in Virginia and Florida from 1975 to 1980. She practiced in the areas of domestic relations, real estate, and criminal law. In 1980 she began her 13-year tenure in the Criminal Division of the Florida Attorney General's office. She served as the Tampa Bureau Chief for five years and handled death penalty appeals and post conviction matters exclusively for three years. She argued numerous cases before the Virginia Supreme Court, the Florida Second District Court of Appeal, the Florida Supreme Court and the Federal Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals. In 1993, Justice Quince was appointed to the Second District Court of Appeals making her the first African American woman to serve on a Florida Appellate Court. She was appointed by Governor Chiles and Governor-Elect Jeb Bush to the Florida Supreme Court in 1998. She became the first African American woman to head any branch of Florida government when she became Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Florida in 2008. As one of the seven justices serving on the State Supreme Court, Justice Quince has many responsibilities that ultimately affect the lives of over 16 million Floridians. As a justice she must review final judgments imposing sentences of death, cases involving the constitutionality of laws passed by the Florida Legislature, and other matters as delineated in the Florida Constitution. She also lectures on various legal topics including the need for a fair and impartial court system, search and seizure, probation and parole, use of peremptory challenges, post-conviction relief, professionalism and ethics, and the independence of the judiciary. She is Co-Chair of the Florida State Coordinating Committee of NAWJ's Informed Voters/fair Judges Project.



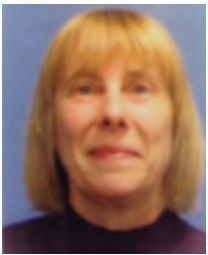
## JUDGE DAVID D. RAASCH (RETIRED)

From 1995-2005, the Honorable David D. Raasch was Chief Judge of the Mohican Nation Tribal Court. Recently, he retired from his position as an Associate Judge. Currently he is on the faculty of the National Judicial College in Reno, NV, and is Vice President of the Board of Directors for the Tribal Law and Policy Institute in West Hollywood, California. Judge Raasch is an enrolled member of the Stockbridge-Munsee Band of Mohican Indians and recently retired as a Tribal Project Specialist for the National Criminal Justice Training Center (NCJTC) at Fox Valley Technical College. NCJTC provides training and technical assistance for law enforcement agencies and justice systems, including Native American communities throughout the United States. Prior to joining Fox Valley Technical College, Judge Raasch was a police officer in Shawano, Wisconsin and then the Clerk of Municipal Court for the City of Green Bay for 20 years, retiring in 2004. Currently Judge Raasch spends his free time enjoying his 5 grandchildren and reading.



## COMMISSIONER PATTI C. RATEKIN

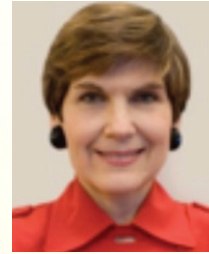
The Honorable Patti C. Ratekin was appointed Commissioner by the Superior Court of San Diego in June 2007. She currently handles an Independent Calendar Family Law Calendar. Prior to her appointment, she was a certified family law specialist for 13 years. She was previously employed by the Superior Court as a Courtroom Clerk. She was named Attorney of the Year in 2006 by the Bar Association of Northern San Diego County and in 2004 received the Norby Award from the San Diego County Certified Family Law Specialists. Commissioner Ratekin received her JD from Western State University, now Thomas Jefferson University.



## JUDGE RENÉE RENNER

The Honorable Renée Renner has been an Immigration Judge since January 2002, serving initially at the Los Angeles Immigration Court and currently at San Diego Immigration Court. Judge Renner has handled a wide variety of immigration cases on both the detained and non-detained docket, as well as being assigned as one of two San Diego Immigration Judges handling a specialize juvenile docket. Prior to taking the bench as an Immigration Judge, Judge Renner was an attorney with the former Immigration and Naturalization Service from 1995 until 2002. Judge Renner is a retired United States Marine Corps Colonel, serving over 13 years on active

duty and over 16 years in the reserves. During her active duty and reserve career in the Marine Corps, Judge Renner served as Military Judge, Prosecuting Attorney and Defense Counsel. Judge Renner has a JD degree from the University of Florida, a Masters In Law, Criminal Law from University of San Diego and a Masters in Strategic Studies from the U.S. Army War College.



## LYNN HECHT SCHAFRAN

Since 1981, Lynn Hecht Schafran has been Director of the National Judicial Education Program (NJEP) project of Legal Momentum, in cooperation with the National Association of Women Judges. She has designed and presented programs for national, state and federal judicial colleges across the country and advised the state and federal task forces on gender bias in the courts that emerged nationwide in response. Her numerous publications include model judicial education curricula and DVDs on topics such as sexual assault, the intersection of sexual assault and domestic violence, and equal justice for women of color in the courts. Her work to eliminate gender bias in the courts has been recognized with many awards including the Distinguished Service Medal of the National Association of Women Judges, Smith College Medal and the American Bar Association Margaret Brent Woman Lawyer of Achievement Award. Ms. Schafran worked closely with then-Senator, now Vice President Joe Biden's staff, Legal Momentum colleagues, NAWJ and others to draft VAWA and secure its passage in the face of opposition from several judicial organizations. The reports of the task forces on gender bias in the courts dealt extensively with violence against women and figured heavily in the development of VAWA, the Congressional hearings and the dissent in *U.S. v. Morrison*, the U.S. Supreme Court case holding VAWA's civil rights remedy unconstitutional. VAWA funding has enabled NJEP to conduct extensive judicial education about sexual assault, including a web course, Intimate Partner Sexual Abuse: Adjudicating this Hidden Dimension of Domestic Violence, [www.njep-ipsacourse.org](http://www.njep-ipsacourse.org) (registration is free and open to all) and the widely used publication Judges Tell: What I Wish I Had Known Before I Presided in an Adult Victim Sexual Assault Case. NJEP's resources are available at [www.legalmomentum.org](http://www.legalmomentum.org).

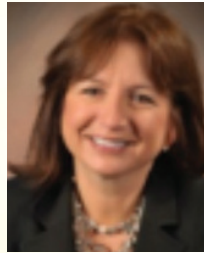


## JUDGE MARY M. SCHROEDER

The Honorable Mary M. Schroeder was Chief Judge of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit from December 2000 through November 2007. Judge Schroeder has served that court since 1979. She previously served on the Arizona Court of Appeals and practiced law in Phoenix. She is a graduate of Swarthmore College and the University of Chicago Law School.

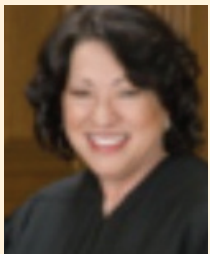
After graduation she was a Trial Lawyer in the Civil Division of the U.S. Department of Justice. Judge Schroeder has also taught at Arizona State University Law School and been an Adjunct Lecturer at Duke University Law School. She has published articles and lectures in various law reviews and is a member of the Council of the American Law Institute. She is a recipient of the Arizona State Bar Association's James A. Walsh Outstanding Jurist Award, the American Bar Association's Margaret Brent Award, and the NAWJ Joan Dempsey Klein Honoree of the Year Award. In 2006, Swarthmore College awarded her an Honorary Doctor of Law decree. Her chambers are located in Phoenix, Arizona. She and her husband, Professor Milton Schroeder, have two daughters and two grandchildren.

scientific and technical issues. In addition, she is Co-Chair of the National Advisory Board of the National Courts Science Institute (a successor organization to ASTAR), and member of the Washington State Minority and Justice Commission.



## Gael B. Strack

Gael B. Strack is the Chief Executive Officer and Co-Founder of the National Family Justice Center Alliance which provides technical assistance to over 100 existing and pending Family Justice Centers (FJC) across the world. In July 2009, the Alliance launched the FJC Legal Network which provides legal services to victims of domestic violence. Prior to this position, Ms. Strack served as the Director of the San Diego Family Justice Center from October 2002 through May 2007. In that capacity, she worked closely with 25 on-site government and non-profit agencies which collaborated in 2002 to provide services to victims of domestic violence and their children from one location. The San Diego Family Justice Center was recognized as a model program by President George W. Bush in October, 2003, and was the inspiration for the President's Family Justice Center Initiative which launched 15 centers across the nation. Prior to her work at the Family Justice Center, Ms. Strack was a domestic violence prosecutor for 17 years at the San Diego City Attorney's Office. She joined the office in 1987 and served in many capacities including Assistant City Attorney and Head Deputy City Attorney responsible for the Child Abuse and Domestic Violence Unit. She also worked as a Deputy Public Defender and a Deputy County Counsel for the San Diego County Counsel's office handling juvenile dependency matters. Ms. Strack graduated from Western State College of Law in December, 1985. Ms. Strack is a former board member of the California Partnership to End Domestic Violence, Past President of the San Diego Domestic Violence Council and former Commissioner of the ABA's Commission on Domestic Violence. In her spare time, she is an Adjunct Law Professor for California Western School of Law teaching "Domestic Violence and the Law." Ms. Strack co-authored a series of strangulation articles in the Journal of Emergency Medicine, National College of District Attorney's Practical Prosecutor, and the Journal of the California Dental Association. Amongst other books, she also co-authored a book with Judi Adams, called "The Big Girls Club - Little Girl Rules for the Big Girl Workplace" which describes the ten rules of friendship that can help women thrive and succeed in the changing workplace.



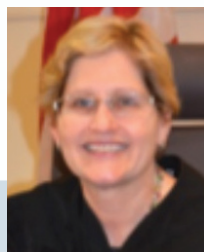
## Justice Sonia Sotomayor

The Honorable Sonia Sotomayor was born in Bronx, New York, on June 25, 1954. She served as Assistant District Attorney in the New York County District Attorney's Office from 1979-1984. She then litigated international commercial matters in New York City at Pavia & Harcourt, where she served as an associate and then partner from 1984-1992. In 1991, President George H.W. Bush nominated her to the U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York, and she served in that role from 1992-1998. She served as a Judge on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit from 1998-2009. President Barack Obama nominated her as Associate Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court on May 26, 2009, and she assumed this role August 8, 2009. She earned a BA in 1976 from Princeton University, graduating summa cum laude and receiving the university's highest academic honor. In 1979, she earned a JD from Yale Law School where she served as an editor of the Yale Law Journal.



## Justice Debra L. Stephens

The Honorable Debra L. Stephens has served on the Washington State Supreme Court since January 2008. She previously served in Division Three of the Court of Appeals. Before taking the bench, Justice Stephens was the Coordinator of an Institutional Amicus Curiae Program and an Adjunct Professor at Gonzaga University School of Law teaching state and federal constitutional law, community property, and appellate advocacy. A Spokane native, Justice Stephens earned both her undergraduate and law degrees from Gonzaga University. Justice Stephens currently serves on the Appellate Court Education, Court Budget, Personnel, and Strategic Planning Committees. She also is the Washington State Chair of the Advanced Science & Technology Adjudication Resource Center (ASTAR), a congressionally directed program to enhance the ability of courts to address



## Chief Judge Laura Stuart Taylor

The Honorable Laura Stuart Taylor has served as a U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Southern District of California since January 2008. She commenced a seven year

term as Chief Judge in October 2012. In January 2013, Judge Taylor was appointed to a seven year term on the Ninth Circuit Bankruptcy Appellate Panel. Judge Taylor served as the Conference Chair for the 2012 Ninth Circuit Judicial Conference and as Program Chair for the 2011 Conference. She previously served on the Ninth Circuit Bankruptcy Judges Education Committee and the Ninth Circuit's Pro Se Committee. She is a Master in the Louis M. Welsh Inn of the American Inns of Court. From 1983-1995 and from 1998-2007, Judge Taylor was an associate and partner at Sheppard, Mullin, Richter & Hampton LLP where she practiced in the Finance and Bankruptcy Practice group. From June, 2005 to November, 2007, she served as the San Diego office's Administrative Partner. From January 1995 to February 1998, Judge Taylor practiced pro bono law. She was the founder of the San Diego Volunteer Lawyer Program's Special Education Project (the "Project"). The Project provided pro bono legal services to disabled foster youth and low income families with disabled children. In connection with her pro bono service, Judge Taylor received the San Diego Bar Association's Public Service Award for 1996, the San Diego Volunteer Lawyer Program's Attorney of the Year Award for 1997, and the State Bar President's Pro Bono Service Award for 1997. Judge Taylor received her BA with Highest Honors from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and her JD with Honors from Duke University.

nearly 20 years, Judge Trapp was appointed by then Governor Gray Davis to the San Diego County Superior Court. She is Past President of the Earl B. Gilliam Bar Association and past Regional Director of the California Women Lawyers. She is a former member of the Board of Directors of the California Association of Black Lawyers as well as Lawyers Club of San Diego. She currently serves on the Lawyers Club Advisory Board, President of the J. Clifford Wallace American Inn of Court, Chair of the Judicial Advisory Board of the Association of Business Trial Lawyers, and Chair of the National Bar Association Judicial Council. Judge Trapp's was formerly President of the local Branch of the NAACP. She also previously chaired the Board of Directors of the Southeastern Economic Development Corporation, a Trustee of the San Diego County Retirement Board, and a member of the San Diego Convention & Visitors Bureau Board of Directors. Judge Trapp, a native San Diegan and veteran of the United States Navy, is an Adjunct Professor of Law at the University of San Diego School of Law and has served on numerous boards and commission including the Law Library Justice Foundation, United Negro College Fund San Diego Campaign Board of Directors, and the African American National Advisory Committee of the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation.



### JUDGE MAUREEN A. TIGHE

The Honorable Maureen A. Tighe was appointed to the U.S. States Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of California on November 24, 2003. From 1999 to 2003, she served as U.S. Trustee for the Central District of California; Districts of

Southern California, Hawaii, Guam and the Northern Mariana Islands; and Districts of Eastern and Northern California, and Nevada. From 1988 to 1998, she was Assistant U. S. Attorney in the Office of the U. S. Attorney in Los Angeles, California; Deputy Chief for the Major Frauds Section; and chairperson of the Bankruptcy Fraud Task Force. After law school, Judge Tighe served as a law clerk for U. S. District Judge Harold Ackerman, District of New Jersey, and then moved to Sullivan and Cromwell in New York, New York. She is admitted to the bars of New Jersey, New York and California. She is a graduate of Douglass College Rutgers University (BA, 1979) and Rutgers Law School (JD, 1984).



### DENISE M. VISCONTI

Denise M. Visconti currently serves as the Littler Mendelson P.C.'s San Diego Office Managing Shareholder. Prior to that, she served as the San Diego Office representative of the Associates Committee. Before joining Littler Mendelson in January 2004, Ms. Visconti served as a Judicial Clerk to

the Hon. Louisa S. Porter; Presiding Magistrate Judge, Southern District of California; and as a Judicial Clerk to the Hon. Peter A. Nowinski, Eastern District of California. She spent her third year of law school working in the Immigration and Human Rights Legal Clinic helping newly-arriving immigrants obtain political asylum. She also was Student Director for the Legislative Journal. Ms. Visconti handles a broad variety of employment litigation matters, most often stemming from claims arising under the California Labor Code and the Fair Labor Standards Act which allege overtime misclassification and other wage and hour violations. She also has experience with single-plaintiff claims involving wrongful termination, sexual harassment, employment discrimination, and accommodation. A large portion of her practice involves the defense of clients in class action litigation, particularly in wage and hour matters, along with representative actions and private attorney general matters. Ms. Visconti appears in state and federal courts and handles arbitrations in various forums, including the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, American Arbitration Association, and JAMS. She is particularly familiar with the Employment Non-Discrimination Act and federal, state and local laws and regulations pertaining to gender identity and expression. Ms. Visconti is admitted to the Bar in California. She is a graduate of Carnegie Mellon University (BA, 1989; MA, 1991) and Seton Hall University School of Law (JD, 2000, magna cum laude).



### JUDGE RANDA TRAPP

The Honorable Randa M. Trapp is a graduate of Lincoln High School, and San Jose State University with a BA in Political Science. She earned her law degree from Georgetown University Law Center in 1985. In 2003, after practicing law for



## DEBORAH H. WALD

Deborah H. Wald is the founder and senior partner at The Wald Law Group. Her work has evolved over the past 20 years from a part-time, home-based family formation law practice to a multi-disciplinary full service family law firm addressing the legal needs of all families. She is an Adjunct Pro-

essor at the University of San Francisco School of Law, where she teaches an upper level seminar entitled “Topics in Contemporary Family Law” covering a broad range of cutting-edge family law issues. She publishes regularly in journals such as the ACFLS CA, AFCC-CA, State Bar of California Family Law News, Conflict Resolution Quarterly, and the Journal of Gender, Social Policy and The Law. Ms. Wald speaks nationally on contemporary family law issues. Recent venues include the American Bar Association; Bar Association of San Francisco; Academy of California Adoption Lawyers (ACAL/ACFFL) annual seminar; American Academy of Assisted Reproductive Technology Attorneys/American Academy of Adoption Attorneys (AAAR-TA/AAAA); and the Williams Institute at UCLA. In addition, Ms. Wald is an experienced criminal defense attorney, focusing primarily on indigent criminal appeals. As a criminal defense lawyer she has devoted her energy to protecting non-citizens who are facing deportation or exclusion from the United States as a result of their contacts with the criminal justice system. She was a founder of Women Defenders, an organization providing professional, technical and social support networks for female criminal defense practitioners. She also worked as a Public Defender in Alameda County for five years. Ms. Wald is a member of the State Bar of California Family Law Executive Committee (FLEXCOM). Ms. Wald is a graduate of Northeastern University School of Law in Boston, Massachusetts. She resides in San Francisco with her partner, their two sons, and their two dogs.



## JUDGE THEODORE M. WEATHERS

The Honorable Theodore M. Weathers is a Judge of the Superior Court of California for the County of San Diego. He was appointed by Governor Gray Davis in July 2003. He previously served as Commissioner of the Superior Court from January

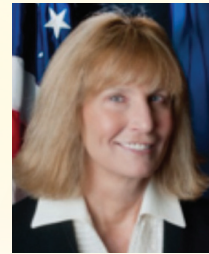
2000 to July 2003. Judge Weathers currently serves as the Assistant Supervising Judge of the South County Division where he presides over criminal and civil trials. Judge Weathers received his undergraduate degree from Rutgers – the State University of New Jersey, and his JD from New York Law School. He served as an Assistant District Attorney in Bronx, New York and as a Deputy Public Defender in San Diego, California prior to his appointment to the bench. He has also taught courses at the University of San Diego School of Law and California Western School of Law. Throughout his tenure on the bench, Judge Weathers has been actively engaged in statewide and local judicial educational programs. He currently serves as Vice-Chair of

the Governing Committee of the Center for Judiciary Education and Research (CJER). Judge Weathers has also been appointed to serve as Dean of the B.E. Witkin Judicial College for 2015 and 2016.



## JUDGE JOAN P. WEBER

The Honorable Joan P. Weber has been a Trial Judge in San Diego for over 24 years. She currently serves as the President of the California Judges Association. She has also served as the Supervising Judge of the San Diego Criminal Courts, Presiding Judge of the San Diego Appellate Courts, and Supervising Judge of the San Diego North County Court of the Superior Court of California. She is a member of the American Law Institute. She frequently lectures on criminal law matters with an emphasis on how to preside over high profile trials and death penalty litigation.



## SUZANNE WILL

Suzanne Will is the Regional Counsel for the San Francisco Region’s Office of General Counsel in the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). Her Office provides all legal services for VA facilities located in California, Hawaii, Pacific Trust Territories, Manila, and the Republic of the Philippines.

She has the largest Region in the Office of General Counsel, with over 40 attorneys, paralegals, and support staff. Prior to joining the VA as a staff attorney, Ms. Will worked in private practice as a trial attorney, eventually becoming a partner in the law firm of Cordova and Will. Her work focused primarily on land use, real estate, product liability, and environmental law. After joining the VA as a staff attorney in 1994, she was promoted in 1997 to Assistant Regional Counsel. One year later, in 1998, she became Regional Counsel, a position she has enjoyed to the present time. Her responsibilities doubled in 2003 when her original area of jurisdiction was consolidated with Southern California. In 2004, she was appointed to the Senior Executive Service (SES). In 1970, she received her BA from the University of Minnesota, graduating magna cum laude with Phi Beta Kappa honors. Thereafter, she received a degree in commercial interior design, working for various institutions, including the Department of Navy in San Bruno, CA. In 1977, she decided to change her career path and applied to law school. She attended the University of San Francisco at night while continuing to work full-time during the day, graduating with a JD. She passed the California Bar in 1981. Ms. Will is a graduate of Leadership VA 2000, the SESCDP class of 2004, and the inaugural class of the VA Executive Fellows Program in 2007. In 2009, she received the Presidential Rank Award for Meritorious Senior Executive Service.



## CHIEF JUDGE CHRISTINE WILLIAMS

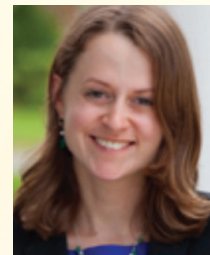
The Honorable Christine Williams is a member of the Yurok Tribe. She is certified in Indian Law, and has spent her legal career focusing on representing tribes on a broad spectrum of tribal legal matters, primarily Indian child welfare, tribal court development and cultural resource protection. She currently serves as the Chief Judge for the Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians in El Dorado County and the Northern California Inter-tribal Court System. Judge Williams was instrumental in helping to secure a competitive technical assistance grant (Project TEAM) to establish a joint-jurisdictional court initiative with the Eldorado County Superior Court. This grant will focus on cases involving tribal youth and families. The grant, awarded by the Bureau of Justice Assistance, was awarded to one jurisdiction nationwide. The joint-jurisdictional court, once established, will enable judges from both jurisdictions to work in concert to hear cases in one courtroom. This model is one of only two tribal court/state court joint-jurisdictional efforts across the country. Judge Williams has a long history of providing training and education on various areas of Indian law and history, and was recently recognized as one among nine notable women lawyers “who rule” by Indian Country Today.



## JUDGE MARGIE GUNTARDT WOODS

The Honorable Margie Gunthardt Woods of the Superior Court of California presides over criminal cases. She also hears juvenile and family law cases. A 25 year veteran of her court, Judge Woods began her judicial career as a Juvenile Court Referee presiding over dependency and delinquency cases from 1987 to 1990. She then served as a Municipal and Superior Court Commissioner from 1993 to 2001, when she was appointed a Judge of the Superior Court by California Governor Gray Davis. Judge Woods has been active in the San Diego legal community through the San Diego Lawyers Club, Pan Asian Lawyers of San Diego, and the San Diego County Bar Association (SDCBA). She has been a supporter and participant with Volunteers in Parole (VIP) Mentor Program for youthful offenders matched with attorneys at law after the offender’s release from incarceration. For over 30 years, Judge Woods has also been a volunteer with Meals on

Wheels Greater San Diego, serving on the Board of Trustees for over 15 years and as President in 1998. Also active in educating fellow judges, Judge Woods has served as a seminar leader and faculty member with the California Judicial Education and Research (CJER) New Judicial Officer (NJO) Orientation Programs and Judicial College since 1995. She has taught and been a panelist in the areas of family law, juvenile law, ethnicity and cultural differences and gender issues. In 2011, she was invited to serve as Co-Chair for the 2014 NAWJ Annual Conference in San Diego. She was a primary planner for the first Color of Justice Program offered in San Diego in the spring of 2011 and she served as Co-Chair in 2012. Judge Woods received her undergraduate degree (BA) at the University of Northern Colorado in 1976, and JD at the University of San Diego School of Law in 1980. She was born in Jakarta, Indonesia and moved with her parents to The Netherlands as an infant. Her family immigrated to the United States in 1960 settling in Denver, Colorado where she grew up. While in law school in San Diego, Judge Woods met her husband of 35 years, Charlie Woods, a Brooklyn native. They have a son, Richard, who lives and works in Manhattan.



## MARY ZIEGLER

Mary Ziegler joined the Florida State University School of Law faculty in fall 2013 as Assistant Professor. She uses legal history to probe the assumptions underlying current debates about constitutional, reproductive-health, and family-law issues. Her work focuses on the law and history of abortion, illegitimacy, contraception, marriage, and child care. Her more than a dozen published articles have appeared in the Yale Journal of Law and Feminism, Harvard Journal of Law and Gender, and the Law and History Review. She has served as a featured guest blogger on the Legal History Blog and JURIST. Her book, “The Lost History of the Abortion Debate,” is under contract with Harvard University Press. The book uses over 100 oral history interviews and extensive archival research to challenge the conventional legal and historical account of social-movement reactions to *Roe v. Wade*. In studying the decade after *Roe*, the project explores contemporary polarization of the abortion wars. She joined Florida State University after Saint Louis University School of Law. Prior to that, she clerked for John A. Dooley of the Vermont Supreme Court after completing a term as a Ruebhausen Fellow in Law at Yale Law School. She received her JD, cum laude, from Harvard Law School (2007), and her BA, magna cum laude, from Harvard College (2004).

# NATIONAL ASSOCIATION *of* WOMEN JUDGES

## EDUCATION & OUTREACH PROGRAMS

### **Informed Voters-Fair Judges Project (IVP)**

The National Association of Women Judges 'Informed Voters- Fair Judges' Project is a civic education project developed to increase the knowledge of our citizens regarding the judicial system, and to promote fair and impartial courts, a cornerstone of American democracy. IVP provides educational materials, including a short educational film featuring Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, to voters on the role of judges and courts in our tripartite system of government. IVP educates citizens about how a state's judicial selection and election system works, and about the qualities that make a good judge - fairness, impartiality, and a willingness to decide cases based on the evidence presented and the law.

### **Human Trafficking**

NAWJ conducts judicial training and education programs focused on understanding and addressing human trafficking. NAWJ collaborates with federal and state courts, administrative agencies, as well as other stakeholders to address the complex issues that arise in human trafficking cases.

### **Color of Justice Program**

NAWJ's Color of Justice Program brings judges and lawyers together to encourage students to consider legal and judicial careers. NAWJ developed this program to encourage girls and minority elementary, middle and high school students to consider pursuing careers in the law and the judiciary. Experienced judges and lawyers engage with students to discuss stepping stones to becoming a lawyer or a judge. Students learn about life as a law student and the requirements for admission to law school. Students also learn about the many different types of judges and different areas of legal practice.

### **From The Bar to The Bench**

From Bar to the Bench is designed to encourage women lawyers to consider judicial careers, and to make the process of appointment and election to the bench more visible and accessible. The program assists participants in understanding the process of pursuing a judicial career based on the unique requirements of each state. Program components address the "how" and "why" of becoming a judge; ethical issues faced by judges, including those involved in campaigns for elective judicial office; gender bias in courts; minority perspectives; and educational requirements and other requirements for becoming a judge.

### **The Storybook Project**

This program was created to offset the ill effects of prolonged separation between a mother and child that results from the incarceration of the mother. Since we know the everyday ritual of reading to a child builds and maintains the bond between an incarcerated parent and a child, the program provides incarcerated parents a book and a tape recorder, brought to the prison by NAWJ program participants, thereby enabling the parent to sustain a relationship to the child. The parent reads the story to their child, and this oral recording is preserved. Both book and mother's recording are mailed to the child. In states around the country, NAWJ's Storybook Project has helped thousands of inmate mothers maintain contact with their children.

### **Success Inside and Out**

Success Inside and Out provides support and assistance to women in prison for their transition back into the community. NAWJ members conduct workshops and provide women inmates with information and resources to ease and sustain reentry back into their communities. This program also allows NAWJ to bring together judges, attorneys and other professionals to participate in areas of need in their communities. The program is consistent with the goals of NAWJ's Women in Prison Committee, and may be expanded to benefit young women in youth correctional facilities.

### **MentorJet**

NAWJ's MentorJet program is a 'speed mentoring' networking opportunity providing high school, college and law students one-on-one access with judges and lawyers who serve as mentors and provide information and advice on a variety of legal careers. The program uses a fun, accessible format similar 'speed dating.'

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